## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Move2Learn is an award-winning nonprofit using the science of movement to transform how Alexandria public school students, K-12, learn; and

WHEREAS, Move2Learn increases student engagement at school through its innovative, free programming both inside and outside the classroom. Move2Learn students are more motivated to come to school and are more engaged in and focused on learning; and

WHEREAS, Move2Learn's Social, Emotional and Academic Learning lessons improve students' mental and physical health by integrating movement as a way to overcome emotions that get in their way of learning; and

WHEREAS, Move2Learn creates a sustainable culture of movement within the school system. Their work complements and enhances the values and goals of the City and its public schools and addresses the most important issues facing students today; and

WHEREAS, Move2Learn is celebrating its 15th year of inspiring students to move more and learn better. The organization was founded as RunningBrooke in 2009 by Brooke Sydnor Curran based on her own life experiences; and

WHEREAS, Move2Learn creates lasting impact to improve students' mental health, attendance and behavior, and academic performance by building awareness of and advocacy for the long-lasting generational benefits of movement.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, JUSTIN M. WILSON**, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, do hereby acknowledge and celebrate:

## "THE 15<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY of Move2Learn"

in the City of Alexandria and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 10<sup>th</sup> day of September 2024.

MAYOR JUSTIN M. WILSON On behalf of the City Council of Alexandria, Virginia
ATTEST: