

P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, Letter Carriers' Stamp Out Hunger® Food Drive Day, and ALIVE! work in partnership to address hunger in our community; and

WHEREAS, every year on the second Saturday in May, letter carriers across the country collect non-perishable food as part of the nation's largest one-day food drive, distributing the donations to local food banks; and

WHEREAS, the Letter Carriers' Stamp Out Hunger® Food Drive is just one example of how letter carriers work to make a difference in the lives of those they serve. Since the pilot drive was held in 1991, more than 1.9 billion pounds of food have been collected; and

WHEREAS, we recognize all letter carriers for their hard work and their commitment to their communities. All of the food collected in our community stays in our community and we support carriers' efforts to help those in need; and

WHEREAS, we also recognize the noteworthy milestone of 32 years that the National Association of Letter Carriers' Food Drive celebrates in 2024; and

WHEREAS, ALIVE! distributes food to approximately 20,000 people in Alexandria each month; and ALIVE! receives nearly 30,000 pounds of food annually from the Stamp Out Hunger food drive to provide to city of Alexandria residents; and

WHEREAS, together they encourage donations of food and to address hunger in our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JUSTIN M. WILSON, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, do hereby proclaim the second Saturday of May 2024, as:

“LETTER CARRIERS’ FOOD DRIVE DAY”

in the City of Alexandria and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens, and we and we encourage the citizens of our community to support the food drive by placing non-perishable food items in or near your mailbox on food drive day, Saturday, May 11, 2024. Your letter carrier will pick it up while delivering the mail — and together, we can all help to feed our hungry on May 11th.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 24th day of April 2024.

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

ATTEST:

Gloria A. Sitton, CMC City Clerk

