

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

**WHEREAS**, *the Irish have greatly enriched the culture of Western Civilization from its earliest days; and*

**WHEREAS**, *the Irish have nobly preserved the Celtic and Gaelic traditions from ancient times to the present; and*

**WHEREAS**, *the history of the City of Alexandria is replete with the contributions of many people from Ireland and those of Irish descent; and*

**WHEREAS**, *the City of Alexandria is today the home of numerous people of Irish descent who are active in its cultural, economic, political and social life; and*

**WHEREAS**, *the City of Alexandria recognizes the incalculable role played by the Irish and their descendants in world, national, state, and City affairs; and*

**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 month of March as:

### **“IRISH-AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH”**

*In honor of the day that all Irish people come together in celebration of St. Patrick; and*

**FURTHER**, *I hereby welcome all persons from Ireland and of Irish descent to our City this September 17<sup>th</sup> – exactly six months after the Feast Day of St. Patrick this year, and halfway to St. Patrick’s Day – to attend and enjoy the*

### **IRISH CULTURAL CELEBRATION DAY and PARADE**

*and the activities being offered at Waterfront Park in Alexandria on this day.*

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2022.

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**MAYOR JUSTIN M. WILSON**

*On behalf of the City Council  
of Alexandria, Virginia*

**ATTEST:**

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*Gloria A. Sitton, CMC    City Clerk*