

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Bernard “Ben” Brenman, USA, Ret. Col. envisioned a community archaeology program for Alexandria in which sites across the entire city representing all peoples and times would be valued by everyone living in and visiting Alexandria today; and

WHEREAS, the Alexandria Archaeological Commission has established the Bernard “Ben” Brenman Archaeology in Alexandria Award given in October in recognition of Virginia Archaeology Month to appreciate partners who have given significant contributions toward Alexandria’s community archaeology for Virginia Archaeology Month; and

WHEREAS, the Brenman Award acknowledges high quality work, innovation, commitment or extraordinary efforts in preservation, research, education, public appreciation and advocacy for archaeology; and

WHEREAS, the 2022 Brenman Awards highlight the excavation, conservation, and preservation of significant aspects of Alexandria’s seaport history; and

WHEREAS, a 2022 Brenman Award for **Outstanding Developer** is presented to EYA RTS Construction, LLC for the company’s commitment to the highest quality archaeological preservation and historic interpretation at the Robinson Landing development project, and support and funding for the documentation and recovery of significant artifacts, features, and three ship hull fragments which will enrich the lives of Alexandria residents and visitors for years to come; and

WHEREAS, a 2022 Brenman Award for **Outstanding Conservation** is presented to the Maryland Archaeological Conservation Laboratory for the organization’s expertise, innovation and leadership in preserving Alexandria’s buried past and the excavation, conservation, and creative curation of significant waterfront artifacts, features, warehouse timbers, and ship hull fragments; and

WHEREAS, a 2022 Brenman Award for **Outstanding Cultural Resources Management** is presented to AECOM and their team of archaeologists and scientific divers for their extraordinary efforts to rehouse the Robinson Landing ship timbers in Ben Brenman Pond to preserve the possibility of future study and conservation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JUSTIN WILSON, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, do hereby congratulate:

**“EYA RTS CONSTRUCTION, LLC, MARYLAND ARCHAEOLOGICAL
CONSERVATION LABORATORY & AECOM”**

For their work in the City of Alexandria.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 11th day of October, 2022.

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

ATTEST:

Gloria A. Sitton, CMC City Clerk