

**PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, the Del Ray Business Association has devoted over forty years to representing its business members and working with the City and surrounding neighborhood civic associations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Del Ray Business Association is a dedicated group which continues working to ensure that Del Ray is a thriving residential and commercial community in Alexandria; and

**WHEREAS**, the Del Ray Business Association and DC Road Runners are celebrating the 47<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its annual five-mile “Turkey Trot” Road Race on Thanksgiving Day, November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022, in Del Ray, Alexandria, Virginia; and

**WHEREAS**, the Del Ray Business Association considers this an important event for the City; and

**WHEREAS**, this event results in both a financial donation and the collection of a sizeable quantity of food for distribution to those in need by ALIVE!, Inc.; and

**WHEREAS**, close to five thousand road runners from all parts of the metropolitan area, the United States, as well as from around the world, participate yearly; and

**WHEREAS**, former Mayor Kerry Donley will be remembered for both his decades of supporting and running the Alexandria Turkey Trot and for his dedication and commitment to the City of Alexandria; and

**WHEREAS**, we are honored to have the Donley Family serve as this year's Grand Marshal

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, JUSTIN M. WILSON**, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, do hereby recognize November 24, 2022, as:

**“DEL RAY ‘TURKEY TROT’ DAY”**

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

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have here unto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 22<sup>th</sup> day of November, 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