PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Chinquapin Wahoos, members of the Colonial Swimming League (CSL), are the only public swim team in the City of Alexandria; and

WHEREAS, Alexandria's Chinquapin Wahoos won the CSL Gold Division Championship, the culmination of an extraordinary season and the result of hard work and determination by the Wahoos' young team members and coaches; and

WHEREAS, the Wahoos used a team effort to complete only the second undefeated season in the history of the team; and

WHEREAS, the 9-10 boys team of Emil LaSida, Ronan Lauinger, William McLaury and Jacob Rosario set a 35 year-old league record in the 100 yard medley relay; and

WHEREAS, the 8 and under girls and 9-10 boys were division champion, and the 13-14 boys tied for Division wins; and

WHEREAS, the Wahoos swimmers posted 56 personal bests at Gold Divisionals; and

WHEREAS, all citizens in the City of Alexandria have the right to be proud of their Alexandria Chinquapin Wahoos Swim Team; and

WHEREAS, we hereby recognize the efforts of the Wahoos swimmers, the dedicated coaching staff, the parent volunteers and all the parties involved in this great achievement for the city of Alexandria; and

WHEREAS, swimming has physical benefits such as building muscular strength, endurance, and cardiorespiratory fitness, as well as psychological benefits such as relaxation, and provides a healthy activity that contributes to the quality of life for all ages.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM D. EUILLE, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, do hereby recognize and salute the efforts of the:

"CHINQUAPIN WAHOOS"

and extend our best wishes to you in the next swimming season.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, *I* have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 14th day of January, 2014.

WILLIAM D. EUILLE MAYOR On behalf of the City Council of Alexandria, Virginia

ATTEST:

Jacqueline M. Henderson, MMC City Clerk