

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, *Employer Services, a part of the City of Alexandria's Local Motion program, promotes and encourages public transit, ridesharing, bicycling and walking as positive transportation alternatives to increase mobility and improve air quality; and*

WHEREAS, *Alexandria Employer Services provides complimentary consulting to local Alexandria employers by delivering practical, money-saving transportation benefit program assistance; and*

WHEREAS, *Alexandria Employer Services sponsors the annual Commuter Challenge, a friendly two-week competition between Alexandria employers that encourages employees to leave their cars at home and commute to work using alternative transportation options; and*

WHEREAS, *Commuter Challenge companies competed in three categories. Gold, for the "Highest percent improved vehicle miles traveled using alternative transportation." Silver, for "Highest percent improved number of trips using alternative transportation." And Bronze, for "Highest percent of employee participation"; and*

WHEREAS, *the City of Alexandria wishes to acknowledge the four Commuter Challenge winners for 2014. Gold Awards will go to The City of Alexandria with a 134% Single Occupancy Vehicle (SOV) Miles Reduced and Carney, Inc. with 97% VMR. Reingold, Inc will receive the Silver Award for increasing the percent of non-SOV commute trips by 33%. And the Bronze Award for highest percentage of employee participation will be given to Rust | Orling Architecture, with 41% employee participation; and*

WHEREAS, *the City of Alexandria acknowledges the efforts of the Commuter Challenge winners as well as all Challenge participants. As a result of this competition, significant overall savings were achieved: 17,686 fewer SOV miles traveled; 13.27 less tons of pollution; 1,505 gallons of fuel saved; and \$14,977 saved in transportation costs.*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM D. EUILLE, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, do hereby congratulate the 2014 Commuter Challenge winners, Carney, Inc., The City of Alexandria, Reingold, Inc. and Rust|Orling Architecture for their achievements in reducing dependency on single occupancy vehicles and actively promoting alternatives to increase mobility and improve air quality.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 13th day of May, 2014.

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

ATTEST:

Jacqueline M. Henderson, MMC City Clerk