

## **PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, Northern Virginia Community College was established in 1964 as Northern Virginia Technical College; and

**WHEREAS**, the college opened in the fall of 1965 with 761 students in warehouse space in Bailey's Crossroads, just outside of the City of Alexandria; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1971 construction began on the Eastern Campus, later known as the Alexandria Campus, with classes beginning in the summer of 1973; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1980 the state community college system purchased the John Tyler Elementary School from the City of Alexandria and incorporated it as part of the steadily growing Alexandria Campus; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2001 the thousand seat Rachel M. Schlesinger Concert Hall and Arts Center was completed and welcomed as part of the City's art community; and

**WHEREAS**, today with more than 75,000 students from 150 countries enrolled on six regional campuses Northern Virginia Community College is the largest higher education institution in both the Commonwealth of Virginia and the Metropolitan Washington Region.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM D. EUILLE**, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, and on behalf of all residents of the City, do hereby congratulate:

### **“NORTHERN VIRGINIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE”**

on the occasion of its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary and recognizes the many strategic contributions it has made and continues to make to the residents and businesses of 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 8<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2015.

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**WILLIAM D. EUILLE MAYOR**

On behalf of the City Council  
of Alexandria, Virginia

ATTEST:

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Jacqueline M. Henderson, MMC City Clerk