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City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

DATE: MARCH 31, 2021

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

FROM: MARK B. JINKS, CITY MANAGER /s/

DOCKET TITLE:

Resolution to Commemorate Alexandrians Lost to the COVID-19 Pandemic. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

ISSUE: Approximately 128 Alexandrians and more than 550,000 Americans have lost their lives to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

RECOMMENDATION: That City Council adopt the attached Resolution recognizing and commemorating the lives lost to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

BACKGROUND: On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization (WHO) declared the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) a global pandemic. To date (as of March 29) 128 Alexandrians have succumbed to this virus and the City of Alexandria remembers the lives lost and supports initiatives to honor them, including the establishment of a temporary (April 16 through June 21, 2021) memorial at Rivergate Park on the Potomac, 2 Montgomery Street sponsored by the North Old Town Independent Citizens' Association, the Old Town North Community Partnership, and private donors. The City of Alexandria remains committed to the wellbeing and safety of all residents and employees by providing resources for testing, contact tracing and administration of vaccine to all residents, especially those who have been disproportionately impacted in our black and brown communities.

ATTACHMENT: Proposed Resolution

STAFF:

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