ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

Proclamation

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BUSINESS APPRECIATION MONTH

WHEREAS, Arlington businesses play a pivotal role in strengthening our Commonwealth by embracing job creation, innovative technologies, and employing a diverse workforce to preserve the economic well-being of all our citizens; and

WHEREAS, Arlington businesses provide almost 231,500 jobs to our citizens throughout the County and offer a variety of services and products worldwide; and

WHEREAS, Arlington's businesses operate in diverse industries, including cybersecurity, aerospace and defense, IT and emerging tech, media and nonprofits and associations; and

WHEREAS, Arlington is currently home to five Fortune 1,000 firms and 27 companies with annual revenues in excess of \$100 million; and

WHEREAS, the County is pleased to recognize the accomplishments of our existing diverse businesses; entrepreneurs; small, minority and women owned businesses; nonprofits; and the major employers that contribute greatly to the economic recovery of our County; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting to offer the citizens of our County unique opportunity to recognize Arlington businesses for the essential role they play in driving the Arlington economy;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Matt de Ferranti, Chair of the County Board in Arlington, Virginia, do hereby recognize May 2021 as

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and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.

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Chair