

# ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

# *Proclamation*

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## **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PROFESSIONALS' WEEK**

**WHEREAS**, the emergency managers of Arlington County and the Commonwealth of Virginia work tirelessly behind the scenes to build safer, stronger and more resilient communities in the face of natural disasters, terrorism, pandemics, civil unrest, and other threats and hazards; and

**WHEREAS**, emergency managers are the vital link to and between essential services that help communities prepare for, respond to, and recover from emergencies; and

**WHEREAS**, emergency managers provide the leadership, management, and operational skills necessary to enable their communities, organizations, and agencies to develop emergency plans and procedures, ensure personnel is adequately trained and exercise plans, provide emergency warnings, notifications, and alerts, and acquire resources to protect lives and property and enhance resiliency to emergency events; and

**WHEREAS**, the role of emergency managers in ensuring a safer, more healthy and more resilient community is more important than ever;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Katie Cristol, Chair of the County Board of Arlington, Virginia, do hereby proclaim March 13-19, 2022 as

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in Arlington County and I urge all citizens to honor the employees of Arlington County Emergency Management and to recognize their service and commitment to the lives, health, and safety of all who live, visit, and do business in Arlington County and the region.



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Katie Cristol  
Chair