



PROCLAMATION

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ARLINGTON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES DAY

WHEREAS, the Arlington County Department of Human Services was established in 1968 as an integrated human services agency; and

WHEREAS, over the course of five decades the Department of Human Services has served as the foundation of our community's safety net to strengthen, protect, and empower Arlingtonians in need; and

WHEREAS, the present-day employees of the Department of Human Services continue to build upon the legacy forged by their predecessors to provide high-quality, professional, culturally competent, trauma-informed, evidence-based best-practice services to approximately 50,000 Arlingtonians every single year; and

WHEREAS, the work carried out by the agency embodies our community's values of diversity and inclusion; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Human Services is at the very forefront of Arlington's efforts to address health equity, social justice, and racial equity;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Christian Dorsey, Chair of the County Board of Arlington, Virginia, do hereby proclaim **March 27, 2019** as

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and call upon our residents to honor and acknowledge the people and programs within the Department of Human Services, to appreciate the wide range of services the department provides to our neighbors in need, and to reflect upon the importance of a strong human services safety net in our community.

Christian Dorsey
Chair