ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

Proclamation

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FRIEND OF PUBLIC HEALTH

WHEREAS, Dr. Wilson Coudon has served the Arlington community for 40 years and mentored colleagues within Arlington's Tuberculosis (TB) control program throughout; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Coudon first started working with Arlington County in 1981 while substituting for his colleague and became the sole pulmonologist for our TB program in 1990; and

WHEREAS, throughout the course of his Arlington County career, Dr. Coudon has treated Arlington residents from over 105 different countries from Afghanistan to Zimbabwe ranging from birth to 80; and

WHEREAS, Arlington's Overall Excellence Award was awarded to the TB team in 2002 for their work with clients making 8,189 clinic visits with 609 treated for latent tuberculosis; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Department of Health's Traveling Spittoon Award for providing outstanding care to persons with active TB and complex medical needs was awarded to Dr. Coudon and the TB team in 2003 and 2006; and

WHEREAS, the American Lung Association recognized Arlington's TB team for their excellence in care of our community in 2009; and

WHEREAS, a born teacher, Dr. Coudon in his 40 years with the County has generously shared his wealth of knowledge with staff, community providers, and patients and has been a critical component of the TB team throughout;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Katie Cristol, Chair of the County Board in Arlington, Virginia, do hereby proclaim that **Dr. Wilson Coudon** is a

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and urge all citizens to recognize and appreciate his efforts to treat and reduce the spread of TB in the Arlington community.

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Chair