

# ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

## *Proclamation*

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### **JOHN M. LANGSTON CITIZENS ASSOCIATION 85th ANNIVERSARY**

**WHEREAS**, the John M. Langston Citizens Association, established in 1937 as the civic voice of the Hall's Hill – High View Park community by a group of neighborhood residents, is the one of the oldest civic organizations in Arlington; and

**WHEREAS**, the John M. Langston Citizens Association's primary purpose is to advocate for the residents of the Hall's Hill-High View Park neighborhood towards civic improvement of the community and to work for equality and equity for all Arlingtonians, including the desegregation of schools, lunch counters, juries and other forms of discrimination and matters of civic interest regardless of political or partisan affiliation; and

**WHEREAS**, the John M. Langston Citizens Association has long encouraged the County government to address issues in the community, such as providing municipal water and sewer systems to our community, giving equal pay to our Fire Station 8 firefighters who protected the community from fires, and advocating for community development for our neighborhood; and

**WHEREAS**, the John M. Langston Citizens Association supports equal rights for all Virginians and has been an important contributor in making Arlington a diverse, inclusive, and more equitable community; and

**WHEREAS**, this year marks the 85<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the John M. Langston Citizens Association;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Katie Cristol, Chair of the County Board of Arlington, Virginia, do hereby proclaim Friday, May 13th, as the day to recognize the

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in Arlington and urge all residents to celebrate the anniversary of this important community organization and to let this event inspire them to become more curious and thoughtful about Arlington's diverse communities and their history.



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Katie Cristol  
Chair