

WHEREAS, the remaining vacant land in the City of Alexandria is rapidly being developed; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of the scarcity of our land assets, the City is making every possible effort, individually and as a member of regional bodies such as the Northern Virginia Park Authority, to acquire vacant land for park purposes; and

WHEREAS, Jones Point represents the largest single area of vacant land in the eastern part of the City and presently is not being used for significant recreational purposes; and

WHEREAS, the City Park and Recreation Commission has recommended that the Alexandria City Council seek to have the Federal Government convey Jones Point to the City in accordance with provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act, the Surplus Property Act, the Legacy of Parks or any other appropriate act or program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria would pledge to consult and involve all interested citizens and citizen organizations and appropriate city agencies in formulating a development plan for the Jones Point area; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria stands willing to expend funds to expeditiously develop Jones Point as a park and recreation facility as a part of its aggressive park acquisition and development program initiated in 1973; and

WHEREAS, the development of Jones Point for park and recreational purposes would benefit all of the citizens of Alexandria.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Alexandria, Virginia, hereby petitions the Federal Government to convey Jones Point to it for development as a public park and recreational facility; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council of Alexandria pledges the expeditious development of Jones Point for public park and recreation purposes following its acquisition from Federal authorities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Manager be directed to utilize this document to initiate action to acquire Jones Point for the purposes outlined herein.

Adopted January 8, 1974

Helen Vickers, City Clerk
and Clerk of Council