

RESOLUTION NO. 340

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria celebrated the Bicentennial Festival of Independence from July 11 to July 20, 1974; and

WHEREAS, one of the major attractions during the Festival was the "Best Friend of Charleston"; and

WHEREAS, the faces of the persons who rode on this 19th Century steam train, from the very young to the very old, clearly expressed the thrill and enjoyment of this experience; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria is extremely grateful to the Southern Railway Company and its friendly and capable employees for bringing both the "Best Friend of Charleston" and their exhibit cars to the City for the Festival of Independence.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, hereby expresses its sincere appreciation to the Southern Railway Company and the crew of the "Best Friend of Charleston" -- Engineer John A. Smith and Crewmen I. Ray Mauney, T. J. Todd, and Robert F. Ganse.

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Southern Railway Company and to each of the members of the crew of the "Best Friend of Charleston".

Adopted July 23, 1974

CHARLES E. BEATLEY, JR., MAYOR
On behalf of the City Council
of Alexandria, Virginia

ATTEST:

Helen Vickers Clerk