

RESOLUTION NO. 461

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria is justifiably proud of its prominent role in the history of this country; and

WHEREAS, substantial efforts, both public and private, have been made in recent years to preserve the historic structures and traditions which strengthen the ties between the past and the present in Alexandria, and

WHEREAS, one of the most significant historic landmarks in the City is the Carlyle House, the site of General Braddock's planning for his illfated march to Fort Duquesne during the French and Indian War and the site of the meeting between colonial governors which led to the enactment of the Stamp Act, the spark which set off the American Revolution; and

WHEREAS, the Carlyle House was acquired by the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority in 1970 so that it could be preserved and restored, and its historic significance could be shared with the citizens of Northern Virginia and with visitors to the National Capital area; and

WHEREAS, this tremendous restoration project, in terms of time, effort and expenditure, had its Grand Opening ceremonies on January 18, 1976, with large crowds attending.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, does hereby express its sincere appreciation to the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority for undertaking and completing the restoration of the Carlyle House, and thereby making a major addition to Alexandria's unequalled collection of historic attractions for this Bicentennial year.

FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this City Council meeting and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.

Adopted January 27, 1976

Helen Holleman, Clerk of the City
of Alexandria, Virginia