

RESOLUTION NO. 640

WHEREAS, Mr. Jean Keith has been a community leader in the City of Alexandria for more than fifteen years, and

WHEREAS, he has been involved in many of the preservation efforts in the City, and

WHEREAS, he served as President of the Old Town Civic Association during the difficult Urban Renewal years, and

WHEREAS, he has taken a leading role in the City's archaeology program and he has served on the Archaeology Commission, and

WHEREAS, as Chairman of the Alexandria Tourist Council for five years he worked diligently for the promotion of tourism in Alexandria; and

WHEREAS, he has introduced many diverse groups to Alexandria by giving tours of the City for both the Smithsonian Institution and the National Trust for Historic Preservation; and

WHEREAS, he helped to bring the Scottish Games to Alexandria and he has served as a member of the Board of Managers of Virginia Scottish Games Association; and

WHEREAS, as Vice Chairman of the Alexandria Bicentennial Commission he worked with Mayor Mann, Mr. Coldsmith and Mrs. Sinclair to convince the State to locate a Northern Virginia Bicentennial Center at the Lyceum; and

WHEREAS, he has been president of the Historic Alexandria Foundation for the last five years and he has worked on a number of restoration projects with the Foundation; and

WHEREAS, he edited the Historic Alexandria Foundation book written by Ethelyn Cox, Historic Alexandria, Virginia, Street by Street, A Survey of Existing Early Buildings; and

WHEREAS, he worked on the recently enacted City Ordinance 2180 which protects 100 Year Old Buildings Outside of the Alexandria Old and Historic District, and

WHEREAS, he has been a leader in the field of preservation and has provided outstanding service to the City of Alexandria.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Alexandria hereby commends Mr. Jean Keith as a distinguished Alexandrian who has served the City unselfishly in many capacities for more than fifteen years.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council wishes to express its appreciation to Mr. Keith for his many historic preservation efforts, since his work has been a major part of the efforts to restore and preserve the old and historic areas of the City.

Adopted June 27, 1978

Mrs. Helen Holleman, Clerk of the
City of Alexandria, Virginia.