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Dear Friends:

On behalf of the Commonwealth of Virginia, it gives me great pleasure to extend hearty congratulations to the City of Alexandria on being named one of America’s Promise Alliance Top 100 Communities for Young People.

The City of Alexandria serves the Commonwealth’s youth by providing them with the utmost opportunity to exceed through exceptional community based initiatives. With the Early Childhood Development Plan, countless young people have been exposed to high quality learning environments, opportunities to volunteer and invaluable nutritional and medical needs.

Much of your national prominence can be attributed to the caring adults that willingly offer their time to ensure the children of Alexandria are receiving the utmost care and protection. I extend many thanks to each of these faithful individuals. Their countless hours of labor are a testament to their dedication to public service.

The Commonwealth is fortunate to have such an honor bestowed upon one of its most vital cities. I commend the City of Alexandria for encouraging, educating, and protecting the lives of youngsters.

I am pleased to join you in recognizing this impressive achievement and extend best wishes for continued success.

Sincerely,

Timothy M. Kaine