

# ***PROCLAMATION***

## ***Community Planning Month October 2014***

**WHEREAS**, change is constant and affects all cities, towns, suburbs, counties, boroughs, townships, rural areas, and other places; and

**WHEREAS**, community planning and plans can help manage this change in a way the provides better choices for how people work and live; and

**WHEREAS**, community planning provides an opportunity for all residents to be meaningfully involved in making choices that determine the future of their community; and

**WHEREAS**, the full benefits of planning requires public officials and citizens who understand, support and demand excellence in planning and plan implementation; and

**WHEREAS**, the month of October is designated as National Community Planning Month throughout the United States of America and its territories; and

**WHEREAS**, the American Planning Association and its professional institute, the American Institute of Certified Planners, endorse National Community Planning Month as an opportunity to highlight the contributions sound planning and plan implementation make to the quality of our settlements and environment; and

**WHEREAS**, the celebration of National Community Planning Month gives us the opportunity to publicly recognize the participation and dedication of the members of planning commissions and other citizen planners who have contributed their time and expertise to the improvement of the Town of Leesburg; and

**WHEREAS**, we recognize the many valuable contributions made by professional community and regional planners of the Town of Leesburg and extend our heartfelt thanks for the continued commitment to public service by these professionals.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved by the Council of the Town of Leesburg in Virginia that the month of October 2014 is hereby designated as Community Planning Month in conjunction with the celebration of National Community Planning Month.

**PROCLAIMED** this 14<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014.

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