



WHEREAS, there are over 8,600 businesses located in Rockville, employing over 74,000 people; and

WHEREAS, the greater Rockville business area includes approximately 25 million square feet of commercial office space, which is more than 33% of the total office space in Montgomery County; and

WHEREAS, the Rockville business sector contributes \$13.6 million, or about 42% of the property taxes collected, to the City of Rockville; and

WHEREAS, the dedication and entrepreneurial spirit of the business community is vital to our City's economic growth and prosperity; and

WHEREAS, we celebrate Business Appreciation Week in Rockville and applaud the efforts of our businesses, and the men and women who contribute to its vitality, growth and success.

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Mayor and Council of the City of Rockville do hereby proclaim March 10-14, 2014 as Business Appreciation Week in the City of Rockville, and encourage all citizens to join in this special recognition.

*Bridget Donnell Newton*  
Bridget Donnell Newton, Mayor

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Beryl L. Feinberg, Councilmember

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