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Alexandria Sanitation Authority Announces the Ellen Pickering Environmental Excellence Award

The City of Alexandria Environmental Policy Commission and the Alexandria Sanitation Authority announced today its first annual award program to select and formally recognize outstanding citizens who have demonstrated their commitment to protecting the natural environment and promoting environmental sustainability.

In addition to Alexandria citizens, an Alexandria group, club, organization or corporate neighbor may also be nominated. The recipient(s) of the award will have a tree planted in their honor during Alexandria Earth Day 2009.

The Ellen Pickering Environmental Excellence Award is named in honor of Mrs. Pickering's lifelong dedication to preservation and conservation in the City of Alexandria. Frances Ellen Pickering, a long-time City activist, first gained recognition for her lobbying efforts that, more than 30 years ago, helped to create the Mount Vernon Trail between Alexandria and Washington. An active preservationist and conservationist, she was deeply committed to preserving and enhancing the City's waterfront.

Mrs. Pickering served as an ASA Board member from 1992 to 2007. "She will be remembered by all of us for her commitment to the environment and the City of Alexandria and its people for whom she tirelessly worked. I think this award is a fitting tribute to Mrs. Pickering's sense of community, volunteerism, and that wonderful spirit that touched us all," said Karen Pallansch, ASA General Manager.

Full details on the award can be found at www.alexsan.com.
