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Town of Purcellville Receives Distinguished Budget Presentation Award

PURCELLVILLE, Va. March 9, 2016 — The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) awarded the Town of Purcellville its Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for the Town’s Fiscal Year 2016 budget plan. The Town has received this prestigious award every year since Fiscal Year 2010. The Distinguished Budget Presentation Award is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental budgeting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management.

The award represents a significant achievement by the Town and reflects the commitment of the Town Council and the Town staff to meeting the highest principles of government budgeting. To receive this award, the Town had to satisfy nationally recognized guidelines for effective budget presentation. These guidelines are designed to assess how well the Town’s budget serves as a policy document, financial plan, operations guide and communication device. Budget documents must be rated “proficient” in all four categories, and the twelve mandatory criteria within those categories, to receive the award.

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) also presented a Certificate of Recognition to Elizabeth Krens, Treasurer/Director of Finance as the department head primarily responsible for having achieved the award. The Director would also like to recognize the staff members of the budget team, Steve Coakley, Paula Hicks and Debbie Capitan, for their continued commitment to the quality of the budget document.

The GFOA is a major professional association servicing the needs of 18,300 government finance professionals. It provides top quality publications, training programs, services and products designed to enhance the skills and performance of those responsible for government finance policy and management. The GFOA’s Distinguished Budget Presentation Awards Program is the only national awards program in governmental budgeting.

The Town of Purcellville, Virginia

Purcellville is an award-winning town of nearly 8,300 residents located in Loudoun County, approximately 40 miles west of Washington, DC. It has been honored for its green initiatives, most recently with the prestigious Siemens Sustainability Award for Small Communities. The Town has an elected Mayor and six Town Council members. Once a stop along the W&OD rail line, Purcellville has maintained its historic old-town feel through the restoration and maintenance of its many downtown structures, reflecting the Victorian architecture popular during the early 1900s. Today, Purcellville is the economic hub of western Loudoun County and a popular weekend destination for antiquing, entertainment, farmer’s markets, wineries and restaurants. More info at www.purcellvilleva.gov.###