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CUMBERLAND COUNTY RECEIVES NATIONAL FINANCIAL RECOGNITION

Cumberland County, ME:

(Chicago)--The certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting has been awarded to **County of Cumberland** by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA), for its comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR). The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental Accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management.

An Award of Financial Reporting Achievement has been awarded to Vic Labrecque, Cumberland County finance Director, as primarily responsible for preparing the Award-winning CAFR. The CAFR has been judged by an impartial panel to meet the high standards of the program, including demonstrating a constructive "spirit of full disclosure" to clearly communicate its financial story and motivate potential users and user groups to read the CAFR.

The Award, presented to Labrecque by Cumberland County Manager, Peter Crichton at a recent Commissioners meeting, is nationally recognized within the accounting industry. In accepting the award, Labrecque said, "This is a reflection of the effort put forth by the entire County staff, attempting to assure open and straightforward reporting of activity to our municipalities and citizens. I would like to particularly thank my staff for all their hard work to make this possible."

The GFOA is a nonprofit professional association serving approximately 17,500 government finance professionals with offices in Chicago, IL, and Washington, D.C.

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