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Elected Officials Earn GMA Certificates

PEACHTREE CORNERS, GA, February 3, 2016 – During the 2016 Georgia Municipal Association’s annual Mayors’ Day Award Luncheon in January, Councilmembers Jeanne Aulbach (Post 4), Lorri Christopher (Post 5) and Weare Gratwick (Post 6) received certificates of achievements.

Lorri Christopher was awarded the prestigious **Certificate of Excellence** from the Harold F. Holtz Municipal Training Institute. To receive a Certificate of Excellence, a city official must complete a minimum of 120 units of credit, including at least 54 hours from a required list and the Robert E Knox, Jr. Municipal Leadership Institute.

Jeanne Aulbach and **Weare Gratwick** both were awarded **Certificates of Achievement** from the Harold F. Holtz Municipal Training Institute. To receive this prestigious award, a city official must complete a minimum of 72 units of credit, including at least 36 hours from the required list.

The Georgia Municipal Training Institute, a cooperative effort of GMA and the University of Georgia’s Carl Vinson Institute of Government, provides a nationally recognized series of training opportunities for elected city officials. The training program consists of a series of more than 50 courses.

“These are outstanding achievements, said GMA Executive Director Lamar Norton. “We commend Councilmembers Aulbach, Christopher and Gratwick for their accomplishments and for the dedication they’ve shown in using this valuable resource to become more effective city officials.”

GMA, based in Atlanta, is a voluntary, non-profit organization that provides legislative advocacy, research, training, employee benefit and technical consulting services to its over 500 member cities.

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