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MEMORANDUM

To: Kurt Triplett, City Manager
From: Tracey Dunlap, Director of Finance and Administration
Date: February 17, 2011
Subject: **Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting**

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Mayor present the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting Award to the City of Kirkland Accounting Staff led by the Accounting Manager Teresa Levine at the March 1, 2011 Council Meeting.

BACKGROUND:

The Certificate of Achievement is GFOA's "highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting."

The award is for the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2009. Attachment A, which is the press release from the GFOA, contains a brief description of the award, which the City has received since 2004.



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NEWS RELEASE

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(Chicago)--The Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting has been awarded to **City of Kirkland** 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 the individual(s), department or agency designated by the government as primarily responsible for preparing the award-winning CAFR. This has been presented to:

Department of Finance and Administration, City of Kirkland

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