



*Leaders at the Core of Better Communities*

Sunday, September 13, 2009

To Mayor Nelson and Members of the City Council of the City of Ogdensburg:

It was my pleasure earlier today to present to the City of Ogdensburg the Certificate of Achievement. This certificate recognizes communities that report performance data to the public through budgets, newsletters and/or information provided to elected officials; engage in verification efforts to ensure the data's reliability; and train staff in the principles of performance measurement.

It was a pleasure to meet city manager Arthur Sciorra, who accepted the award on behalf of the City. ICMA members, like Mr. Sciorra, share a commitment to the highest degree of professionalism in local government management.

The mission of the International City/County Management Association is to create excellence in local governance by developing and advancing professional management of local government. In furthering this mission, the ICMA Center for Performance Measurement is committed to assisting local governments to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of local government service.

Congratulations to the City of Ogdensburg for sharing this same commitment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael W. Lawson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "M".

Michael W. Lawson

Director, ICMA Center for Performance Measurement™