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Georgia Municipal Association Certificate of Excellence

The Town of Trion— January 29, 2024 —ATLANTA – Lanny Thomas, Mayor of The Town of Trion, received the Harold F. Holtz Municipal Training Institute Certificate of Excellence during the Georgia Municipal Association’s (GMA) Annual Cities United Summit in Atlanta on January 28.



The Harold F. Holtz 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 city officials.

“This is a remarkable achievement,” said GMA CEO and Executive Director Larry Hanson. “We commend Mayor Thomas for this accomplishment and for the dedication shown in this valuable resource to become a more effective city official.”

To receive a Certificate of Excellence, a city official must complete a minimum of 42 units of credit, including at least 18 hours from a list of required classes. The training program consists of more than 70 courses.

“It is an honor to receive this certification. There have been many hours and days dedicated to achieving the Certificate of Excellence. Through this program, I have gained much knowledge and made valuable contacts that have helped me become a better Mayor for The Town of Trion.