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FINANCE DIRECTOR

September 19, 2016

The Honorable James C. Cason
Mayor
City of Coral Gables
405 Biltmore Way
Coral Gables FL 33134

Dear Mayor Cason:

We are pleased to notify you that your comprehensive annual financial report for the fiscal year ended **September 30, 2015** qualifies for a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting. The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management.

An award for the Certificate of Achievement has been mailed to:

Diana M. Gomez
Finance Director

We hope that you will arrange for a formal presentation of the Certificate and Award of Financial Reporting Achievement, and that appropriate publicity will be given to this notable achievement. A sample news release is enclosed to assist with this effort. In addition, details of recent recipients of the Certificate of Achievement and other information about Certificate Program results are available in the "Awards Program" area of our website, www.gfoa.org.

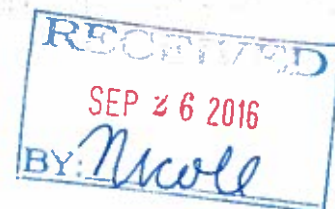
We hope that your example will encourage other government officials in their efforts to achieve and maintain an appropriate standard of excellence in financial reporting.

Sincerely,
Government Finance Officers Association

Stephen J. Gauthier, Director

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(Chicago)--The Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting has been awarded to **City of Coral Gables** 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:

Diana M. Gomez, Finance Director

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.

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