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Assistant Town Manager Kate Hodges Newly Credentialed Manager

CONCORD, MA -- Kate Hodges, the Assistant Town Manager for the Town of Concord, recently received the designation of Credentialed Manager from the International City Management Association (ICMA). Achieving this major accomplishment makes her one of 1,300 worldwide local government management professionals currently credentialed through the ICMA Credentialing Program.

Ms. Hodges' accomplishment in this area is no small feat as she joins only a handful of City Managers and Assistant Managers throughout the Northeast, 27 from Massachusetts alone, to achieve this prestigious designation.

The credentialing process requires applicants to demonstrate a commitment to the public sector profession, integrity, ethical behavior and a track record of success which Ms. Hodges continues to exemplify. To receive the ICMA credential, a candidate must have significant experience as a senior management executive in local government, have earned an advanced degree in the field and have demonstrated a commitment to lifelong learning and professional development with local government. Applicants must also score highly on an assessment which is peer-reviewed by a board of accomplished professionals and experts in the field.

The ICMA's mission is to create excellence in local governance by developing and fostering professional management to build sustainable communities that improve people's lives. The organization's nearly 11,000 members in 30 countries also include educators, students and other local government employees.

Ms. Hodges has more than 15 years of professional executive experience in local government. Prior to her appointment to Assistant Town Manager in 2015, she served as Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Education for the Town of Littleton and has served several other departments on both a local government and state level.

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