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**Nathan Clark Credentialed by
International Local Government Management Organization**

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Nathan Clark, Town Manager of Town of Maggie Valley (NC), recently received the Credentialed Manager designation from ICMA, the International City/County Management Association. Mr. Clark is one of over 1,300 local government management professionals currently credentialed through the ICMA Voluntary Credentialing Program.

ICMA's mission is to advance professional local government through leadership, management, innovation, and ethics and by increasing the proficiency of appointed chief administrative officers, assistant administrators, and other employees who serve local governments and regional entities around the world. The organization's 13,000 members in 27 countries also include educators, students, and other local government employees.

To receive the prestigious ICMA credential, a member must have significant experience as a senior management executive in local government; have earned a degree, preferably in public administration or a related field; and demonstrated a commitment to high standards of integrity and to lifelong learning and professional development. Mr. Clark received his Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, a Masters of Public Policy & Management from the University of Pittsburgh's Graduate School of Public and International Affairs and a Masters of Science from Lenoir Rhyne University in Sustainability as well as completed the UNC School of Government Course for Municipal & County Administration.

Maggie Valley is a most blessed town to have Nathan Clark at its helm, giving stability and growth through his excellent leadership. He has certainly brought honor to his town and position by becoming a ICMA Credentialed Manager, being in the top 10% who have received this honor. We are proud Nathan has been nationally recognized for his leadership. Alderman Clayton Davis

Nathan Clark is qualified by eight years of professional local government executive experience. Prior to his appointment in 2013 as Town Manager Maggie Valley, he served as Planning Director for the Town of Maggie Valley and an Assistant County Planner in Beaufort, SC.

For more information regarding the ICMA Voluntary Credentialing Program, contact Jenese Jackson at ICMA, 777 North Capitol Street, N.E., #500, Washington, D.C. 20002-4201; jjackson@icma.org; 202-962-3556.

About ICMA

ICMA, the International City/County Management Association, advances professional local government worldwide. The organization's mission is to advance professional local government through leadership, management, innovation, and ethics.

ICMA identifies leading practices to address the needs of local governments and professionals serving communities globally. We provide services, research, publications, data and information, peer and results-oriented assistance, and training and professional development to thousands of city, town, and county leaders and other individuals and organizations throughout the world. The management decisions made by ICMA's members affect millions of people living in thousands of communities, ranging in size from small towns to large metropolitan areas.

The ICMA logo is located in the bottom right corner of the page. It consists of the letters "ICMA" in a bold, dark blue, sans-serif font. To the left of the text is a small, light blue square icon. The logo is positioned over a decorative background of overlapping light blue squares of various sizes, which is itself set against a dark blue horizontal bar at the bottom of the page.