

RESOLUTION NO. R2011-16

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING MARK JOHNSON FOR HIS PARTICIPATION IN AND GRADUATION FROM THE STATE OF TENNESSEE'S INAUGURAL CERTIFICATION PROGRAM FOR MUNICIPAL FINANCE OFFICERS.

WHEREAS, in 2007, the state legislature passed a law requiring certain municipal finance officers to be certified; and,

WHEREAS, as a result, the state undertook the task of implementing a certification program at the forefront of other such programs nationwide to focus on skill requirements and qualifications for municipal finance officers; and,

WHEREAS, Mark Johnson has served as the Town of Signal Mountain's Finance Director since 2008; and,

WHEREAS, Mark Johnson enrolled in the inaugural two-year certification program for finance officers, consisting of eleven courses on eight different topics, and traveled to McMinnville, Tennessee to attend classes; and,

WHEREAS, Mark Johnson dedicated himself to studying outside working hours not only to complete the program but to excel on his exams; and,

WHEREAS, on January 27, 2011, Mark Johnson graduated from the inaugural certification program for municipal finance officers along with 97 other individuals representing 86 municipalities and one utility district;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SIGNAL MOUNTAIN, TENNESSEE commends and congratulates Mark Johnson, henceforward to be known, respectfully, as "Finance Director and Certified Municipal Finance Officer Mark Johnson" for his achievement and his dedication to the citizens of Town of Signal Mountain to keep their financial house in order.

MAYOR

Heena Rogee

TOWN MANAGER

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