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County Manager James E. Martin Credentialed

WASHINGTON, D.C. — James E. Martin, County Manager of Cumberland County, recently received the Credentialed Manager designation from ICMA, the premier local government leadership and management organization. Mr. Martin is one of 930 local government management professionals currently credentialed through the ICMA Voluntary Credentialing Program.

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.

Billy R. King, Chairman of the Cumberland County Commission, had this to say about Mr. Martin's accomplishment.

"We are all pleased for our county manager, James Martin, in that he's earned the Credentialed Manager designation from ICMA," says King. "The depth and breadth of his experience in local government is rare and of great value. The people of Cumberland County are fortunate to have so well-qualified a person as our manager."

Mr. Martin is qualified by thirty-six years of professional local government executive experience. Prior to his appointment in 2000 as County Manager of Cumberland County, he served as the county's Deputy County Manager for more than five years. Before accepting that position, Mr. Martin served as the County Manager in Robeson County for more than a decade. With the exception of his first job as a Junior Accountant with the Haigh and vonRosenberg CPA firm in Fayetteville, Mr. Martin's professional



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career has been solely in local government. His career includes a six-year stint as Hoke County Manager and a position as Assistant Finance Director for the City of Fayetteville.

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