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## **Former Deputy County Manager Awarded *Order of the Long Leaf Pine***

FAYETTEVILLE – Former Deputy Cumberland County Manager Juanita Pilgrim received the prestigious *Order of the Long Leaf Pine* on Feb. 4 for her long record of extraordinary service to the state of North Carolina.

N.C. Supreme Court Judge Patricia Timmons-Goodson and Secretary of the N.C. Department of Crime Control and Public Safety Reuben Young presented the award during a reception in Pilgrim's honor. Pilgrim retired in January after 47 years of public service, 24 of which she spent in Cumberland County.

The *Order of the Long Leaf Pine* is among the most prestigious awards presented by the Governor of North Carolina. Pilgrim joins other notable recipients of the award including Maya Angelou, Michael Jordan and Billy Graham.

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