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**CITY OF SUFFOLK RISK MANAGER RECEIVES
RISK MANAGEMENT EXCELLENCE AWARD**

SUFFOLK, Va. (June 28, 2009) Lina Kennedy, Risk Manager for the City of Suffolk, has been awarded the 2009 Risk Management Excellence Award by the Virginia Municipal League Insurance Programs. The award was presented to Ms. Kennedy by Robin Duvall of VML Insurance Programs at the City Council meeting on June 17, 2009.

Individuals who receive this award are recognized for their dedication to risk management. Mrs. Kennedy's interest, dedication, and expertise in the areas of safety and risk management allows the City of Suffolk to enjoy a superior level of risk management. Mrs. Kennedy has also dedicated time and talent to assist others in the risk management community.

The mission of VML Insurance Programs is to meet the risk management needs of member local political subdivisions by maintaining financially stable programs, meeting the changing coverage needs of members, and providing professional services to assist members in the development of effective risk management programs.

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