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COMPTROLLERS OFFICE RECEIVES TOP GFOA AWARD FOR 33RD YEAR IN A ROW

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Hauppauge, NY – For the 33^{rd} year in a row the Government Financial Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) has awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to the Suffolk County Comptroller's Office. According to the GFOA, the award is given to state and local governments that "go beyond the minimum requirements of generally accepted accounting principles to prepare comprehensive annual financial reports that evidence the spirit of transparency and full disclosure".

"As Suffolk County Comptroller, I am once again proud to accept this prestigious award on behalf of Suffolk County and its residents" said Comptroller Kennedy on Friday. Kennedy Comptroller); Brenda Sloan (Executive Director of continued, "As I have said in years prior, this award not only



Featured (left to right): Louis A. Necroto (Chief Deputy Comptroller); Christina Cooke (Executive Director of Finance and Taxation): John M. Kennedv. Jr. (County **Accounting Services**).

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The Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) is a non-profit organization made up of public finance professionals throughout the United States and Canada. It currently has 18,000 members at the federal, state, and local levels.