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Women in Municipal Government (WIMG) Announce Leadership Award Finalists

Washington, DC – The winner of the 2007 WIMG leadership award will be announced on Friday, Nov. 16, 2007, during the National League of Cities' (NLC) Congress of Cities and Exposition in New Orleans, Louisiana. Rosario Marin, former U.S. Treasurer and current Secretary of the California State and Consumer Services Agency, will be the keynote speaker at the luncheon honoring the five finalists and the award winner.

The finalists for the 2007 award include: Pat Evans, Mayor, Plano, Tex.; Shirley Gibson, Mayor, Miami Gardens, Fla.; Sandy Colvin Roy, Council Member, Minneapolis, Minn.; Shirley Scott, Vice Mayor, Tucson, Ariz.; and Clara Shepherd, Commissioner, Muskegon, Mich.

Media are invited to attend the awards presentation as well as interview finalists and the award winner.

WHAT: WIMG Membership Luncheon and Leadership Award Presentation

WHO:

- **Rosario Marin, former U.S. Treasurer and current Secretary of the California State and Consumer Services Agency**
- **Elected female local officials from around the country**

WHEN: 12:30 – 2:00 p.m. EST
Friday, Nov. 16, 2007

WHERE: Grand Salon - 19,20,22,23
Hilton Riverside Hotel
New Orleans, La.

The WIMG award recognizes one female municipal official each year for her outstanding leadership while promoting the increased representation of women in local government. This year's award program is sponsored by ICMA Retirement Corporation and Wells Fargo Home Mortgage; both are NLC corporate partners.

A constituency group of NLC, WIMG was established in 1974 to serve as a forum for communication, networking and information sharing for female municipal officials and their colleagues around the nation. It strives to raise awareness about issues of concern to female leaders, encourages women to seek public office in their communities and ensures women hold leadership positions within NLC.

The National League of Cities is the nation's oldest and largest organization devoted to strengthening and promoting cities as centers of opportunity, leadership and governance. NLC is a resource and advocate for 19,000 cities, towns and villages, representing more than 218 million Americans.

For information about WIMG and membership opportunities, contact NLC staff at (202) 626-3169 or visit NLC's website at www.nlc.org.