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For Immediate Release:

**CITY OF BROCKTON RECEIVES SECOND CONSECUTIVE DISTINGUISHED
BUDGET PRESENTATION AWARD**

BROCKTON, MA - The City of Brockton is pleased to announce it has been awarded the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada for the fiscal period beginning July 1, 2021. The City has earned this award for the second consecutive year since winning the award for its 2020 budget.

The award is the highest form of recognition in governmental budgeting. In earning this recognition, the City has demonstrated that its budget document is among the best in North America.

This distinguished accomplishment reflects Mayor Robert F. Sullivan's commitment to modernizing the City's governance practices. By earning this award for a second consecutive year, the City and its Finance Department have set a new standard for governmental budgeting.

"I am thrilled to see that the City of Brockton has earned the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for the second straight year," said Mayor Robert Sullivan. "When I was first elected Mayor, my vision was for the City to be transparent, efficient, and equitable in the distribution of its resources. It excites me to know we are continually accomplishing that goal year after year."

"This was once again a wonderful team effort. What an honor to be recognized two years in a row as an international leader in transparency and good government. This award underscores Brockton's enduring commitment to a government that works for the people it serves," said Chief Financial Officer Troy Clarkson.

The award shows that the City's budget document functions effectively in each of these four nationally recognized categories:

- as a policy document,
- as a financial plan,
- as an operations guide, and
- as a communications device.

The City's budget documents received a grade of "proficient" in each category and the fourteen mandatory criteria within those categories. The award comes with a Certificate of Recognition for Budget Presentation from the GFOA and a brass medallion.

For more background information on this award, visit <https://www.gfoa.org/budget-award>.

The "Certificate of Recognition for Budget Presentation" from the GFOA is attached.

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