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## **Anthony A. Garganese Named 2007 Florida City Attorney of the Year**

*Anthony A. Garganese recognized by the Florida League of Cities.*



ORLANDO - The Florida League of Cities announced Anthony A. Garganese as the City Attorney of the Year in its Florida Cities of Excellence Awards Program. The presentation was held November 9, 2007, during a luncheon ceremony at the Hyatt Regency Orlando International Airport Hotel. The award recognizes a city attorney who provides unparalleled service to his or her city. Mr. Garganese currently serves as the City Attorney for the cities of Cocoa, Winter Springs, Cape Canaveral, and Orchid, and special counsel to other cities.

“I am honored by the award especially given my tremendous respect for the Florida League of Cities,” said Garganese. “I am very happy to bring this recognition to the cities that I am so fortunate to represent.”

The Florida Cities of Excellence Awards Program honors municipal leaders and municipalities throughout the state for devoted commitment to public service and their ongoing efforts to improve the quality of life in their cities.

“Florida’s cities are a wonderful place to live,” said Frank C. Ortis, Florida League of Cities president and mayor of Pembroke Pines. “The finalists in this category provide an enhanced quality of life for every citizen because of their hard work and commitment to their communities.”

Winners were selected by the League’s executive committee and chosen for their initiative in developing innovative programs and exemplary leadership.

Other award categories included: Florida City of Excellence, City Spirit Award, Council Member of the Year, City Citizen of the Year, City Clerk of the Year, City Finance Official of the Year, Mayor of the Year, City Employee of the Year and City Manager of the Year.

All winners received a “MUNI” award and will be featured in the League’s magazine, *Quality Cities*.

At a recent City Council meeting, Cocoa Mayor Michael C. Blake said, “This recognition is great for the City of Cocoa and we are proud to have Anthony as part of Team Cocoa.” “We appreciate all the hard work and dedication that Anthony has given to our City over the years.” Mayor John F. Bush of Winter Springs said, “We love having Anthony represent our City. We have great confidence in his judgment on all the complex issues that we face as elected officials.”

For more information about the Florida Cities of Excellence Awards, please visit the Florida League of Cities Web site at [www.flcities.com](http://www.flcities.com).

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