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ST. CHARLES COUNTY GOVERNMENT RECEIVES FINANCIAL REPORTING HONOR Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting Awarded by the Government Finance Officers Association

ST. CHARLES COUNTY, MO – The Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting has been awarded to St. Charles County Government by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) for its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the fiscal year ending Dec. 31, 2017. The Certificate of Achievement was presented to Bob Schnur, who has served as St. Charles County Director of Finance since 2008. The award is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management.

St. Charles County Government has received this honor every fiscal year since 1989. The CAFR has been judged by an impartial panel to meet the high standards of the program, including demonstrating a constructive “spirit of full disclosure” to clearly communicate its financial story and motivate potential users and user groups to read the CAFR.

“For 29 years, our Finance Department has achieved this award, and that is a tribute to Mr. Schnur, his predecessors and the finance staff throughout the years. This achievement is an honor for the Finance Department and for St. Charles County Government as a whole. We take pride in our sound financial planning and controlled spending of taxpayer dollars,” said St. Charles County Executive Steve Ehlmann.

The GFOA is a nonprofit professional association serving approximately 17,500 government finance professionals with offices in Chicago, IL, and Washington D.C.

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Founded in 1812, St. Charles County is one of the fastest growing counties in Missouri, and the state's third largest county in both population and economic share. St. Charles County consistently ranks one of the healthiest places to live in Missouri in the County Health Rankings report published by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute. It is home to 15 scenic county parks encompassing more than 3,600 acres with additional land under development and more in reserve for future development.

With a population of 385,840, St. Charles County is home to large employers including General Motors, Citi, MasterCard Worldwide and Boeing. It is ranked among the top 25 counties in the nation in high-tech job growth by the Progressive Policy Institute and consistently has the lowest unemployment rate in the Metropolitan St. Louis area.

St. Charles County Government employs nearly 1,100 in more than 30 departments and offices, who work to make the county an excellent place to live, work and shop. For more information, please visit www.sccmo.org.