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## CDFA Recognizes Zeyu Zhang, DFCP

### —Newest Graduate of the Prestigious Development Finance Certified Professional (DFCP) Program —

Columbus, OH — The Council of Development Finance Agencies (CDFA) is pleased to welcome Zeyu Zhang, a valued member of the CDFA team, as the newest graduate of the prestigious Development Finance Certified Professional (DFCP) program. As a new graduate, Ms. Zhang joins the ranks of fellow graduates who are recognized as emerging leaders in the development finance industry.

“CDFA is always looking to engage the best and brightest in development finance with this program, and we are proud to have another member of the CDFA team join the ranks of DFCP graduates,” states Toby Rittner, DFCP and President & CEO of CDFA. “Our hope has always been to produce graduates that are ready to tackle the critical development finance issues that exist in communities and Zeyu truly embodies that goal.”

Zeyu Zhang is a Manager of Research & Technical Assistance at CDFA. Her areas of focus include bond finance, infrastructure finance, energy finance, Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE), and Public-Private Partnerships (P3). Ms. Zhang contributes to the team by managing federal programs, conducting research on development finance-related topics, generating reports, and performing data analysis.

Ms. Zhang received her Ph.D. in Mass Communication at Ohio University in 2021. She has expertise in media studies, research designs, and data analysis. Ms. Zhang also has a Master’s degree in Digital Storytelling from Ball State University. Prior to joining CDFA, she worked as a researcher, instructor, and program assistant. She is excited to advance her career by deepening her knowledge in the field of development finance.

CDFA’s Development Finance Certified Professional (DFCP) Program is an intense training course learning experience and is the industry’s only comprehensive development finance professional certification program. The DFCP Program is designed to produce graduates with a comprehensive knowledge of development finance concepts, tools, and applicability as well as a deep understanding of the entire development finance spectrum. Graduates of the DFCP Program gain valuable knowledge and experience within the complex development finance industry and achieve a level of understanding unmatched by any other professional certification program.

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