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CDFA Recognizes Jennifer Kanalos, DFCP

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

Columbus, OH - The Council of Development Finance Agencies (CDFA) is pleased to congratulate Jennifer Kanalos, Director of Board Administration at the Detroit Economic Growth Corporation, as the newest graduate of the prestigious Development Finance Certified Professional (DFCP) program. A new graduate, Ms. Kanalos, joins numerous other graduates who have invested in their professional development and are ready to tackle the complexities of the development finance industry.

“We are happy to welcome Jennifer Kanalos into the ranks of DFCP graduates. CDFA looks to consistently engage the best and brightest in the development finance industry in this program,” states Toby Rittner, DFCP and President & CEO of CDFA. “Our hope that through their work in the DFCP program, graduates are ready to tackle critical development finance efforts in the communities where they work.”

Jennifer Kanalos has worked at the Detroit Economic Growth Corporation (DEGC), a private, non-profit corporation established in 1978 devoted exclusively to supporting Detroit’s economic development initiatives, since 2006. Ms. Kanalos is currently the Director of Board Administration at the DEGC, managing the activities of all of the Economic Development Authorities managed by the DEGC including the Downtown Development Authority, the Economic Development Authority, the Corridor Improvement Authority, the Local Development Finance Authority, the Detroit Next Michigan Development Corporation and the Detroit Brownfield Redevelopment Authority. Ms. Kanalos’ work with the Detroit Brownfield Redevelopment Authority has resulted in the approval of over 100 brownfield plans in the City of Detroit, 43 of which include tax increment financing and are projected to generate over \$4 billion dollars in investment when complete.

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 will 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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