

Certificate of Recognition

WHEREAS, the Town of Indian Trail desires to commend and recognize Union County Urban Forester David Grant for his contribution in raising awareness about the importance of urban forestry projects.

WHEREAS, on September 14, 2010, David was awarded by the North Carolina Division of Forest Resources the 2010 Urban Forestry Outstanding Professional Grand Award.

WHEREAS, the annual program rewards cities, towns, organizations, businesses and individuals for outstanding work to protect and enhance community forests.

WHEREAS, winners were selected by a panel that included North Carolina Division of Forest Resources' urban forestry staff and members of the North Carolina Urban Forest Council. Entries were judged for impact, quality, innovation and the degree to which the work serves as a worthy example for others to follow.

WHEREAS, as Urban Forester for Union County, David provides technical urban forestry assistance to the county and its 15 municipalities. His knowledge and expertise have been vital to the establishment of tree preservation ordinances, tree management and maintenance programs and tree education and awareness. David's understanding of urban forestry "best practices" has been essential in creating an environment where tree protection is as important as other forms of infrastructure. He also assists each community in securing grants to further their urban forestry programs. David has the unique ability to provide each community with personalized assistance that works for their individual needs.

WHEREAS, David Grant was nominated for the Outstanding Professional Grand award by the Town of Indian Trail,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John J. Quinn, Mayor hereby acknowledge the talents, skills and dedication of David Grant and I urge all citizens to join with me in recognizing his outstanding accomplishments.

September 28, 2010

John J. Quinn, Mayor