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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Westhampton Beach Receives Tree City USA Growth Award

Westhampton Beach has been named a Tree City USA community by the Arbor Day Foundation to honor its commitment to community forestry. It is the twentieth year Westhampton Beach has received this national recognition.

Westhampton Beach is also the recipient of a Tree City USA Growth Award for demonstrating progress in its community forestry program in the following activity areas:

- Partnerships
- external funding
- Planning and Management
- professional tree manager

The prestigious Growth Award recognizes environmental improvement and higher levels of tree care in Tree City USA communities.

The Tree City USA program is sponsored by the Arbor Day Foundation in cooperation with the National Association of State Foresters and the USDA Forest Service.

Westhampton Beach has met the four standards to become a Tree City USA community: a tree board or department, a tree care ordinance, a comprehensive community forestry program, and an Arbor Day observance.

“Trees in our cities and towns help clean the air, conserve soil and water, moderate temperature and bring nature into our daily lives,” said John Rosenow, Chief Executive of the Arbor Day Foundation. “Tree City USA designation recognizes the work of elected officials, staff and citizens who plant and care for the community forest. Trees are a vital component of the infrastructure in our cities and towns, and provide environmental and economical benefits. A community, and its citizens, that recognize these benefits and provide needed care for its trees deserves recognition and thanks.”

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