

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, the Town of Leonardtown wishes to create an awards program to recognize on an annual basis a Leonardtown resident, organization, or business that has significantly contributed to providing vocational, educational, residential or other services or opportunities to those with mental or physical handicaps or disabilities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that on this date, December 9, 2002, the Mayor and Council of Leonardtown hereby creates an awards program as follows:

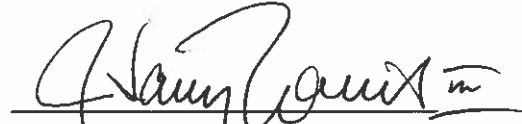
1. For a period of five years the Town of Leonardtown will give an annual award to an individual residing within the corporate limits of the Town of Leonardtown, or a business or organization located or providing goods or services within the corporate limits of the Town of Leonardtown, that has significantly contributed to the creation or delivery of vocational, educational, residential or other services or opportunities to those with mental and/or physical disabilities. The panel shall name the award at a later date.
2. The award will be in the form of a plaque, certificate, or similar means of recognition, to be determined by the panel described below (hereinafter "awards panel").
3. Nominations may be solicited through media notice or other means determined by the awards panel. Members of the awards panel may themselves nominate individuals, businesses, or organizations. The awards panel will also determine the period of time during which nominations will be accepted each year.
4. The awards panel, using criteria developed by the panel, will select the awardee.
5. The awards panel will consist of three persons. The Mayor and Council of Leonardtown will choose one representative, Pathways, Inc., will choose one representative and the third will be selected by agreement between the Town of Leonardtown and Pathways representatives.
6. The award will be announced and/or presented by the Mayor of Leonardtown at a public meeting of the Mayor and Council of Leonardtown. The news media will receive notice, through dissemination of the meeting agenda or otherwise, of the award announcement and/or presentation. A press release and captioned photo, as determined by the awards panel, will be prepared for each award for the Town newspaper, and for submission to such other media as determined by the panel.
7. The first award will be announced and/or presented by July 30, 2003.

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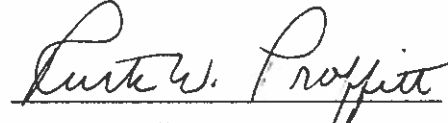
The Commissioners of Leonardtown




Laschelle E. Miller
Town Administrator



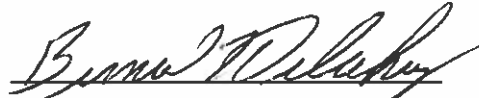
J. Harry Norris III, Mayor



Ruth Proffitt, Vice President



Michael Bridges, Councilman



Bernard Delahay, Councilman



Walter Gillette, Councilman



Walter Wise, Councilman

