

# 2005 Florida Cities of Excellence Awards Program ▶ Nomination Form

Category (Please check one) See Award Criteria for more information. Please print or type. One nomination per page.

**FLORIDA CITY OF EXCELLENCE AWARD**  
Name of Municipality Nominated \_\_\_\_\_  
Nominated by \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of City/Town/Village)

**CITY SPIRIT AWARD**  
Name of Municipality Nominated \_\_\_\_\_  
Nominated Project \_\_\_\_\_  
Nominated by \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of City/Town/Village)

**MAYOR OF THE YEAR**  
Name of Individual Nominated \_\_\_\_\_  
Nominated by \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of City/Town/Village)

**COUNCIL MEMBER OF THE YEAR**  
Name of Individual Nominated \_\_\_\_\_  
Nominated by \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of City/Town/Village)

**CITY EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR**  
Name of Individual Nominated \_\_\_\_\_  
Title \_\_\_\_\_ Department \_\_\_\_\_  
Nominated by \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of City/Town/Village)

**CITY MANAGER OF THE YEAR**  
Name of Individual Nominated \_\_\_\_\_  
Nominated by \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of City/Town/Village)

**CITY CLERK OF THE YEAR**  
Name of Individual Nominated \_\_\_\_\_  
Nominated by \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of City/Town/Village)

**CITY ATTORNEY OF THE YEAR**  
Name of Individual Nominated SAMUEL S. GOREN  
Nominated by City of NORTH LAUDERDALE, City Commission  
(Name of City/Town/Village)

**CITY FINANCE OFFICIAL OF THE YEAR**  
Name of Individual Nominated \_\_\_\_\_  
Nominated by \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of City/Town/Village)

**CITY CITIZEN OF THE YEAR**  
Name of Individual Nominated \_\_\_\_\_  
Nominated by \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of City/Town/Village)

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# Person Completing Nomination Form

Please print or type.

Name Milli DYER  
 Title CITY CLERK  
 Government CITY of NORTH LAUDERDALE  
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## Nomination Certification

This nomination has been voted on and approved by a majority of the city council/commission.

Signed *Milli Dyer*  
 City Clerk



The judges will use the narrative and supportive information to select the award winners. Nominators/nominees are asked not to contact the judges directly.

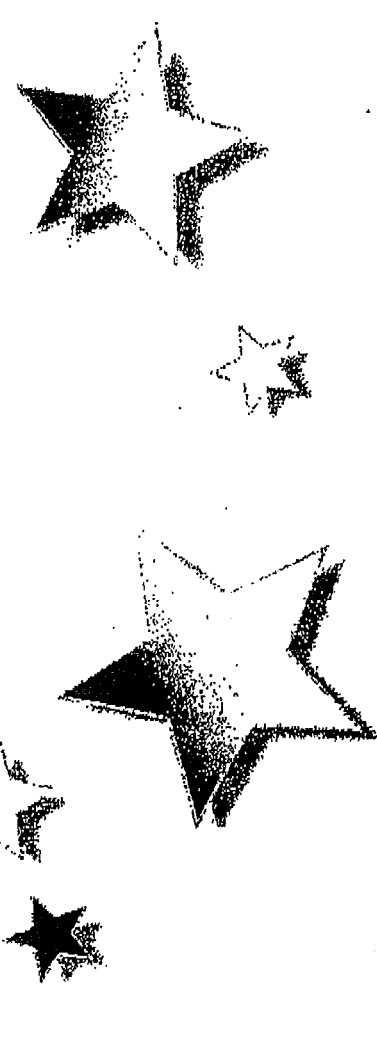
## Narrative

In the narrative, please be clear and concise, using the Award Criteria to support the selection of your nominee. Please type (or print in black ink), up to 1,200 words, double-spaced on white 8-1/2" x 11" paper.

## Supportive Information

Up to 10 pages of supportive information (newspaper clippings, photographs, letters from constituents, etc.), on 8-1/2" x 11" paper (single-sided) may be provided. Please do not include videotapes, DVDs, CDs or PowerPoint presentations.

Submit nominations by August 20, 2005:  
 Florida League of Cities, Inc.  
 Attn: Florida Cities of Excellence  
 P.O. Box 1757  
 Tallahassee, FL 32302-1757



THE CITY OF NORTH LAUDERDALE  
NOMINATES SAMUEL S. GOREN  
FOR THE  
FLORIDA LEAGUE OF CITIES  
"CITY ATTORNEY OF THE YEAR" AWARD

The City of North Lauderdale's nomination of Samuel S. Goren for "City Attorney of the Year" was unanimously approved by the City Commission at their June 28, 2006 Commission meeting. This is an honor that Sam truly deserves. He is the personification of the perfect City Attorney and a super perfect gentleman.

Sam started as North Lauderdale's City Attorney in 1979. Since that time he has served under several diversified commissions and five city managers. He has the special gift of being able to get along well with everyone. Although Mr. Goren's legal knowledge is all encompassing he concentrates his practice in the areas of government, municipal and administrative law, corporate law, commercial law and transactions, with his specialty being municipal law. He has guided the various commissions and city managers through some intricate negotiations and through plans for the City's future. He was a major advisor and guidance counsel to the City during their journey through the process of opening and running the first City owned Charter High School in the Country.

As the City's Legal Officer, Attorney Goren handles all litigations, claims and suits involving the City of North Lauderdale. His drafting of Ordinances, Resolutions, Site Plan Orders, Plat approval ordinances and other legal documents is a chore that he performs willingly, efficiently and expertly. He always works diligently in preparing, reviewing and negotiating contracts and agreements between the City and outside services such as the Broward Sheriff's Office, garbage collection companies, towing companies, and Broward County for building inspector services. Sam has exhibited extraordinary selflessness and dedication in providing consistently excellent legal counsel to the City of North Lauderdale, it's Commissioners, employees, and all those in need of his assistance.

Attorney Goren represents several Broward County cities in addition to such organizations as the Broward League of Cities, the Broward County Charter Review Commission, the Broward County Area on Aging and serves as General Counsel for the South Florida Regional Planning Council. For many years he served as legal counsel to long-time Supervisor of Elections Jane Carroll. In addition to his duties as Chief Legal Official for the North Lauderdale City Commission, he serves as Counsel to the North Lauderdale Water Control District and the Housing Authority of North Lauderdale.

Mr. Goren is a member of the Florida Bar, the American Bar Association, The District of Columbia Bar, the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida, the United States Court of Appeals for the 11<sup>th</sup> Circuit, and the United States Supreme Court.

An accomplished speaker, Attorney Goren is often asked to speak to professional organizations such as the Municipal Clerk's Associations, the Florida Government Officers Association, the Florida Bar, the Institute of Government at FAU/FIU, the Lorman Foundation, CLE International, and many other local governmental entities. He brings information on the latest legislation, the Sunshine Law, Ethics, Election Law, Records Management Law and Eminent Domain to these groups. Because he is so well liked by all who have the pleasure of knowing him and because he is so knowledgeable on the subjects he discusses, his sessions usually draw a large attentive audience.

Mr. Goren is also a Certified Florida Supreme Court and Circuit Court Mediator and has served as Mediator at the request of both governmental and private parties in matters of eminent domain and administrative practice. He has also acted as Special Master in election matters and municipal matters on a periodic basis.

He is respected by the North Lauderdale City Commission, the City Manager and the City Clerk along with the administrative staff and citizens of North Lauderdale. Samuel S. Goren should be the winning nominee of the Florida League of Cities "City Attorney of the Year" award.