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### ***City Police Employee Recognized in CIA Retirement Ceremony***

Martha L. Gooden, a current member of the Harrisonburg Police Department, was recently awarded a medal by the Central Intelligence Agency at a ceremony held at CIA Headquarters on March 9, 2016. Ms. Gooden was presented the Career Intelligence Medal in recognition of 30 years of distinguished service to the Agency and Federal Government. Ms. Gooden was cited for her great impact on Agency operations, programs, and initiatives and for exceptional achievements throughout her career. Harrisonburg Police Department Command Staff members and other sworn and civilian officers were in attendance, as well as Ms. Gooden's family and friends within the community. "We are so proud to have someone with Martha's background and expertise working with us at the HPD. Her incredible work ethic and commitment to duty is evident in her support to the HPD on a daily basis," stated Police Chief Stephen Monticelli. He further commented, "In addition to inviting us to attend the ceremony given in her honor, Martha arranged a meeting for us with CIA Security Officers and a tour of the CIA museum. It was a wonderful opportunity for HPD officers to gain insight into the intelligence world, and it proved to be a very special day for all of us." Ms. Gooden works in the Administrative Bureau of the HPD.

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