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**DCHFA Kicks Off Its Thirty Year Anniversary and Launches Its Newly Redesigned Website**  
*The Agency Hosts a Reception to Kick-off a Year-long Celebration and the Launch of Its New and Improved Website*

(Washington, D.C.) – In celebration of thirty years of producing and preserving affordable housing across the city, the District of Columbia Housing Finance Agency (DCHFA) hosted a reception at its headquarters inviting over 300 of its closest friends. “This night was made even more special for us by having the honor and the presence of Councilmember Barry here to present us with a Ceremonial Resolution from the City Council” said Harry D. Sewell, the Agency’s Executive Director. When asked his thoughts about the Agency turning 30, Councilman Barry responded “I remember it vividly because its birthday was only a couple of months after my first inauguration as Mayor of this great city. Who could have imagined that the creation of this one Agency would contribute to the provision of affordable housing to over 33,000 individuals and families in the District?” The reception was well attended and was the first of several prospective activities over the next year.

During the reception, DCHFA also announced the launch of its newly redesigned website. The much improved website offers great new features; pertinent, easy to find information; a more user-friendly layout; and an updated look and feel. When Sewell was asked his thoughts about the new website, he responded, “The redesign of the website was timed to coincide with the Agency’s thirtieth anniversary and reflects our theme of embracing a changing, new world. I thought it was important to create a separate section of the website that specifically targeted our investor community. It is clear that the Mortgage Revenue Bond industry is facing a new economic reality and we felt this is one way to demonstrate to investors and others that DCHFA understands this”. In addition to investors, the websites resources address the needs of homebuyers; affordable multifamily housing developers; and the property management companies that service the Agency’s affordable multifamily projects. To view the new website and/or to learn more about DCHFA’s programs, go to [www.dchfa.org](http://www.dchfa.org) today.

DCHFA was established in 1979 to stimulate and expand homeownership and rental housing opportunities in Washington, D.C. It accomplishes its mission by issuing mortgage revenue bonds that lower the homebuyers’ costs of purchasing homes and the developers’ costs of acquiring, constructing and rehabilitating rental housing. DCHFA embraces its responsibility with conviction and pledges its best efforts to serve as the city’s champion for homeowners and renters and to act as the city’s principal catalyst for neighborhood investment.

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