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**DEVELOPMENT REVIEW CHIEF ROSE KRASNOW NAMED TO
MARYLAND'S TOP 100 WOMEN**

SILVER SPRING, MD – Maryland's business and legal newspaper The Daily Record has named Rose Krasnow, Chief of Development Review for the Montgomery County Department of Park and Planning Commission, to its Maryland's Top 100 Women for 2006. In its 11th year, the annual contest recognizes successful female professionals who give back by mentoring others and working in their communities.

A former mayor of Rockville, Krasnow was selected by The Daily Record primarily for her leadership in effectively responding to a citizen group's discovery that a large development in Clarksburg was not being built according to required standards. Krasnow took the lead in investigating the allegations and responding to oversight bodies, while keeping up staff moral, interfacing with the public, press and elected officials; and initiating a re-engineering process that has helped restore the agency's credibility. In addition, her volunteer work includes service on the Parent's Council of the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill and with Community Ministries of Rockville.

As a three-time honoree of the Top 100 Women in Maryland in 1997, 2001 and 2006, Krasnow is now in the Circle of Excellence.

"Throughout the difficulties our agency has faced, Ms. Krasnow has been a steady and confident force for change," said M-NCPPC Chairman Derick P. Berlage. "She possesses unwavering integrity and a commitment to excellence. Our agency has greatly benefited from her leadership."

Krasnow joined the agency a little more than a year ago to manage the development review division that includes 31 staff members who are responsible for reviewing hundreds of complicated site plans, land records and development proposals each year.

Since she began her tenure at Park and Planning, she has played a key role in reforming the division's internal and external review processes and investigating development problems in the town of Clarksburg.

Information about Maryland's Top 100 Women is available at
<http://www.mddailyrecord.com/guestbook/2006top100women.html>

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