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NYS PLANNING FEDERATION HONORS RED HOOK

Albany, NY – The New York Planning Federation’s mission is to promote sound planning and land use practice so that orderly growth and development may occur, balanced with necessary resource conservation. Consistent with this mission, the Federation offers annual awards to help celebrate excellence and achievement in New York State in the areas of planning and zoning. The award recipients for 2011 were honored at the annual NYPF conference held on October 9 – 11.

The Pomeroy Award for zoning achievement is given to a community or individual for high quality work and outstanding contribution to zoning in New York State through the development of specific zoning law or legal agreement. This year the New York Planning Federation is very proud to

announce that the Pomeroy Award winner is the Town of Red Hook
“Centers and Greenspace” Zoning Amendments.

The plan was prepared by the Intermunicipal Task Force of the Town of Red Hook and the Villages of Red Hook and Tivoli. The amendments to the Town’s Zoning Law and Subdivision Regulations are a model of sustainable development for the State. The Town of Red Hook’s new Zoning amendments have been widely supported by the community and by local and regional planning organizations.

PACE Land Use Center submitted the award nomination on behalf of the Town of Red Hook and recently PACE awarded them the Groundbreakers Award for this work last year. Sue T. Crane, Supervisor, Town of Red Hook, stated that she is proud of all community volunteers who worked diligently on this plan. Receiving the award at the NYPF award ceremony for the Town of Red Hook was William O’Neill, Esq., Town Council and Chair of the Intermunicipal Task Force; Harry Colgan, Town Council; Brent Kovalchik, Red Hook Village Trustee; and Mark Castiglione, Acting Executive Director of Hudson River Valley Greenway.