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Mayor Pennington,

The Keep Georgia Beautiful Foundation (KGBF), along with its state and national partners, the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA), the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD), and Keep America Beautiful (KAB), would like to recognize the exemplary work of Keep Dalton Whitfield Beautiful (KDWB) from late 2020 through 2021. Despite pandemic-related challenges, KDWB continues to build vibrant public spaces as part of a national movement to improve and beautify communities across America. In Georgia, it's one of more than 70 local programs that strive to establish a clean, green future for all our residents. Notable achievements made by this affiliate over the past year include:

- Unveiling one of the largest sculptures in Dalton using recycled materials on Morris Street to celebrate Earth Day 2021
- Cleaning up over 10,500 pounds of litter from local parks and roadways
- Creating bilingual doorhangers in collaboration with Dalton Public Works to increase recycling participation and decrease contamination
- Distributing six beautification micro-grants to local businesses across Whitfield County and two business beautification grants to local schools
- Partnering with local girl scouts to reduce litter by over fifty percent in areas where unique artwork was placed around trash bins in public areas, including Burr Park, The Mill at Crown Gardens, and Haig Mill

In 2022, KDWB will be of vital importance as it continues to serve the community in innovative ways. We remain in full support of its efforts to help people and nature thrive.

With gratitude,



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