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MEMORANDUM

To: Greene County Board of Supervisors
From: Community Development
Re: Ruckersville Advisory Committee and Appreciation for VACo Award
Date: November 13, 2025

The Ruckersville Advisory Committee has worked diligently to fulfill the vision outlined in the *Ruckersville Area Plan*, particularly through the implementation of the Greene County Citizens Academy. As one of the plan's key recommendations, the Citizens Academy was designed to strengthen public understanding of local government operations and encourage civic leadership among residents and businesses. Since its inception, the Committee has collaborated closely with the Department of Planning and Zoning to develop engaging sessions covering topics such as planning and zoning, economic development, parks and recreation, public education, and county infrastructure. These efforts have helped bridge the gap between citizens and their government, transforming public engagement into meaningful community participation.

We are deeply grateful for the recognition received through the Virginia Association of Counties (VACo) Achievement Award, which highlights the hard work, collaboration, and dedication of our volunteers and staff. We especially want to thank Terry Beigie for preparing the proposal that led to this award and for her ongoing support of the program. The Citizens Academy is more than an educational effort; it stands as a testament to what can be achieved when the community and local government work together toward a shared vision. The Ruckersville Advisory Committee remains committed to advancing the goals of the Ruckersville Area Plan and to continuing our efforts to make Greene County a model for effective citizen engagement.

With appreciation,
Greene County Planning and Zoning
The Ruckersville Advisory Committee