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MAYOR BEATY JOINS 369 OF NATION'S MAYORS FROM ALL 50 STATES TO URGE CONGRESS TO PASS BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE FRAMEWORK

(Beaverton, OR) – Yesterday, in the spirit of both progress and compromise, Beaverton Mayor Lacey Beaty joined 369 Republican, Democrat, and Independent mayors from all 50 states and the District of Columbia to call on Congress to take immediate action on the Bipartisan Infrastructure Framework announced by President Biden and a group of Republican and Democratic Senators on June 24th.

In a letter to Senate Majority Leader Charles Schumer, Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi, Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell, and House Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy, mayors write: *“This framework would be the largest long-term investment in our nation’s infrastructure and competitiveness in nearly a century – \$1.2 trillion over eight years – to help make our economy more sustainable, resilient, and just. The Bipartisan Infrastructure Framework is crucial to making meaningful progress on one of the most pressing and unifying challenges facing our country – the need for comprehensive investment in public transportation; roads; bridges; passenger and freight rail; drinking water and wastewater; clean energy and electrification; legacy pollution cleanup; cyber-attack and extreme weather-resiliency; and universal broadband access. Thus, we believe that this framework deserves bipartisan support in the United States Senate and the United States House of Representatives.”*

Mayors offered to work closely with Congressional leadership on the Framework’s drafting and emphasized two key priorities for the legislation as it moves forward. First, mayors strongly urged that no funding previously signed into law to help cities address the health, public safety and economic impacts of the Covid-19 pandemic be “clawed back,” repurposed or redirected to help pay for new investments in America’s infrastructure. Second, mayors urged federal leaders to empower local leaders by investing directly into existing and proven delivery systems such as Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants, Community Development Block Grants, and Surface Transportation Block Grants.

Following the release of the letter, Mayor Beaty issued the following statement:

“I am proud to have joined together with a bipartisan group of mayors to urge congressional action on this long overdue investment in our nation’s infrastructure. The Bipartisan Infrastructure Framework is a historic step towards ensuring the future prosperity of America’s cities, and it deserves bipartisan support on the Hill.

By fixing roads and bridges, making critical investments in transit, clean energy, and electrification, replacing lead water pipes, and connecting every American to high-speed internet, this legislation will set up cities and their residents for success.”

To view the full letter, please visit the [US Conference of Mayors](#).

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