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NLC Statement on Introduction of the INVEST in America Act

Washington, D.C. – Today, National League of Cities (NLC) CEO and Executive Director Clarence E. Anthony issued the following statement on the U.S. House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee's introduction of the INVEST in America Act – a \$547 billion proposal to rebuild America's surface transportation infrastructure:

"The National League of Cities thanks Chair DeFazio and Subcommittee Chairs Norton and Payne for responding to the unrequited infrastructure demands facing the nation's cities, towns and villages with a bolder vision for transportation with the INVEST in America Act. The nation's cities have <u>called on Washington to rebuild and reimagine</u> the roads, bridges, transit, and rail connections that are breaking down so clearly today and to invest in a sustainable future in partnership with communities."

"America's cities and towns are <u>ready to rebuild</u> with renewed federal programs to rebound from the pandemic and follow through <u>on critical projects that are a priority in every district across the country</u>. If Congress wants to get transportation, water, and broadband projects done, there are thousands of local governments across our great country ready to train and hire local workers and get America's infrastructure back in shape. As Congress marks up both transportation and water legislation this week, we will continue to support a bipartisan path forward in Congress to deliver a transformational infrastructure bill for America's communities that leaves no one behind."

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