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EMMETT V. JORDAN ELECTED TO THE NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES BOARD OF DIRECTORS

City of Greenbelt Council Represents Nationally and Locally on Variety of Committees

GREENBELT, MD—January 11, 2022 — Emmett V. Jordan, Mayor of Greenbelt, MD, was elected to the National League of Cities (NLC) board of directors by NLC's membership at the 2021 virtual City Summit. Jordan was elected to a 2-year term and will provide strategic direction and guidance for NLC's federal advocacy, governance and membership activities. NLC is the largest and most representative organization for cities, their elected leaders and municipal staff, and advocates for city priorities in Washington by building strong federal-local partnerships.

"I'm thankful for the opportunity to serve on the National League of Cities Board of Directors. To work with other likeminded people who have the same goal in mind is quintessential. I'm excited to use my voice and platform to assist our cities, towns and villages receive the support they deserve. This is going to be a great term and I look forward to meeting and working with everyone," said Mayor Emmett V. Jordan.

As a member of the board, Jordan will meet in March, June and November to guide NLC's strategic direction. Board members are selected by a 15-member nominating committee and are confirmed by a vote from NLC's membership at the organization's annual business meeting.

"The National League of Cities board of directors serves an important role in determining the direction of our organization's priorities and policies," said NLC President Mayor Vince Williams of Union City, Georgia. "NLC's board of directors is made up of dedicated local leaders from across our nation, committed to fulfilling the promise of America's cities, towns and villages. I look forward to working with each member to reclaim, renew and reimagine our communities from the wake of the COVID-19 crisis in our country."

City of Greenbelt Council Members have been also appointed to several National League of Cities federal advocacy committees. These committees play a central role in developing the organization's federal policy positions, which are the foundation of the NLC's advocacy efforts and leading advocacy on the Hill and within the Administration. They are:

- Community and Economic Development Committee Mayor Emmett Jordan
- Transportation and Infrastructure Services Committee Mayor Pro Tem Kristen Weaver
- Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee Council Member Judith Davis
- Public Safety and Crime Prevention Committee Council Member Silke Pope

In addition, Council Member Pope is a member of the Small Cities Council. Council Member Ric Gordon has joined two constituency groups—National Black Caucus of Local Elected Officials and Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Local Officials.

More than 1,000 mayors, councilmembers and other delegates from nearly every state and the District of Columbia convened virtually for City Summit. Local leaders are on the frontline of the nation's most pressing challenges and pioneering innovative solutions that move our cities, towns, and villages forward.

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About Greenbelt

The City of Greenbelt is a diverse, welcoming community of 25,000 residents and 600 businesses located just outside of Washington, D.C. It is widely known as an affordable public cooperative community, founded in the New Deal era. Greenbelt prioritizes being environmentally friendly, and enjoys an abundance of parks, trails, and lakes. The 1,100-acre Greenbelt Park includes the Henry A. Wallace Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC) and is managed by the National Park Service. The City has a national historic landmark district and is home to the nation's first space flight complex, the NASA Goddard Flight Center. For more information on the city, go to www.GreenbeltMD.gov.

About the National League of Cities

The <u>National League of Cities</u> (NLC) is the voice of America's cities, towns and villages, representing more than 200 million people. NLC works to strengthen local leadership, influence federal policy and drive innovative solutions. Stay connected with NLC on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, <u>LinkedIn</u> and <u>Instagram</u>. For more information on NLC's federal advocacy committees, visit: www.nlc.org/advocacy/committees.