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### **Fremont Mayor Lily Mei Joins National League of Cities 2020 Presidential Task Force**

**Fremont, Calif.** –October 23, 2019– Fremont Mayor Lily Mei was in the nation’s capital this week as part of the local leaders 2020 Presidential Election Task Force. In partnership with the National League of Cities (NLC), the Task Force will help ensure community issues are uplifted during the 2020 Presidential election cycle.

“I am excited to represent Fremont on the 2020 Presidential Task Force,” said Mayor Lily Mei. “As someone who supports local solutions throughout our region and beyond, this national Task Force will focus on a comprehensive platform that ensures local and community priorities are heard.”

Mayor Mei joins 33 local elected officials from across the country looking to find solutions for cities, towns and villages on the national election stage. During the 2020 Presidential election cycle, it is important that every community and resident feel their voice and priorities are being heard.

"Local leaders have a major part to play in the election next November," said NLC President Karen Freeman-Wilson, mayor of Gary, Indiana. "I'm proud to welcome Fremont Mayor Lily Mei to Washington on behalf of the people of Fremont, California. Thanks to her leadership and active participation, this Task Force will help drive forward innovative solutions to the most pressing challenges facing our nation's communities."

The Task Force has appointed bipartisan co-chairs, the Hon. Eric Garcetti of Los Angeles, California and the Hon. Francis Suarez of Miami, Florida.

"Our local platform will not be governed by a single political party, idea or group," said NLC First Vice-President Joe Buscaino, councilmember of Los Angeles, California. "Local leaders like myself believe that political parties are irrelevant to providing necessary services for Americans. This Task Force is diverse, bipartisan and singularly focused on the success and future of our nation's communities."

For a full list of the Task Force members, see below.

#### **Co-Chairs**

Eric Garcetti, Mayor, Los Angeles, CA – co-chair

Francis Suarez, Mayor, Miami, FL – co-chair

## **Members**

Robin Arredondo-Savage, Councilmember, Tempe, AZ  
Scott Benson, Councilmember, Detroit, MI  
Andy Berke, Mayor, Chattanooga, TN  
Margaret Byrnes, Executive Director, New Hampshire Municipal Association  
Krisanna Clark-Endicott, Councilmember, Redmond, OR  
John Dailey, Mayor, Tallahassee, FL  
Cameron Diehl, Executive Director, Utah League of Cities and Towns  
Kathy Ehley, Mayor, Wauwatosa, WI  
Derek Green, Councilmember, Philadelphia, PA  
Shannon Hardin, Council President, Columbus, OH  
David Holt, Mayor, Oklahoma City, OK  
Lindsey Horvath, Mayor Pro Tem, West Hollywood, CA  
Chokwe Lumumba, Mayor, Jackson, MS  
John Lundell, Mayor, Coralville, IA  
Lily Mei, Mayor, Fremont, CA  
Salvatore Panto, Mayor, Easton, PA  
Steve Patterson, Mayor, Athens, OH  
Stephanie Piko, Mayor, Centennial, CO  
Sean Polster, Councilmember, Warrenton, VA  
Grover Robinson, Mayor, Pensacola, FL  
David Sander, Vice Mayor, Rancho Cordova, CA  
Brandon Scott, Council President, Baltimore, MD  
Rebecca Viagran, Councilmember, San Antonio, TX  
Victoria Woodards, Mayor, Tacoma, WA  
Acquanetta Warren, Mayor, Fontana, CA  
Steve Williams, Mayor, Huntington, WV

## **Ex-Officio Members**

Karen Freeman-Wilson, Mayor, Gary, IN, NLC President  
Joe Buscaino, Councilmember, Los Angeles, CA, NLC First Vice President  
Kathy Maness, Councilmember, Lexington, SC, NLC Second Vice President  
Clarence Anthony, Executive Director, National League of Cities  
Tim Barnes, President, Community Leaders of America  
Barbara Moore, Executive Director, Democratic Municipal Officials

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