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From: Zatcoff, Alicia R. - DPU
Sent: Monday, June 5, 2017 11:15 AM
To: Levar M. Stoney - Private
Cc: Nolan, James S. - OPS
Subject: RE: Climate-another open letter-Confirmations

City of Alexandria Joins Mayors National Climate Action Agenda in Support of Paris Agreement
For Immediate Release: June 2, 2017

The City of Alexandria has joined the Mayors National Climate Action Agenda, pledging to uphold goals embodied in the Paris Agreement under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. The Agreement has been signed by virtually every country in the world.

"We are fully committed to combating the adverse effects of climate change," said Mayor Allison Silberberg. "We believe strongly that climate change is a real and significant threat that requires local and global action, and I'm proud that Alexandria stands together with so many other cities to uphold the goals of the Paris Agreement."

Alexandria City Council adopted an Eco-City Charter in 2008 and an Environmental Action Plan in 2009. As the first locality in Virginia to adopt such environmental frameworks, Alexandria seeks to be a community where people can live healthier and more economically productive lives while reducing impact on the environment.

The Mayors Agenda calls for binding federal emissions reductions, identifying sources of greenhouse gas emissions in each community, promoting emissions reduction targets, developing community climate action plans, finding appropriate offset projects, and furthering climate equity and environmental justice. These goals are already well-aligned with the Alexandria Eco-City Charter and Environmental Action Plan. At its regular meeting on June 13, City Council will consider an additional resolution regarding climate change.

For more information about the City of Alexandria's environmental initiatives, visit www.alexandriava.gov/Eco-City. For more information about the Mayors' National Climate Action Agenda, visit www.climate-mayors.org.

For media inquiries, contact Craig T. Fifer, Director of Communications and Public Information, at craig.fifer@alexandriava.gov or 703.746.3965.

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This news release is available at www.alexandriava.gov/98062.

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Subject: Re: Climate Mayors Statement-Mayor of Richmond, VA

Hi Alicia

Thank you for your email. We've added your Mayor's name to our statement.

By signing on to the statement, you also become a member of the Climate Mayors network (aka the Mayors National Climate Action Agenda), which is a Mayor-to-Mayor network of US Mayors collaborating on climate. It is led by Mayor Garcetti of Los Angeles and operationally run by the Chief Sustainability Officer for LA, Matt Petersen and his Deputy, Lauren Faber.

Other than signing onto the statement via your email confirmation, there is no other formal process for you your mayor to join Climate Mayors (we do include logos on the website, so please send your city seal logo for updating in the next week or so). By joining Climate Mayors, each mayor and city agrees to at least work towards climate reduction target, pursuing actions to achieve the target to reduce emissions (usually a climate action plan), and regularly reporting on progress (e.g., GHG inventories)

In addition, we ask members of the Climate Mayors network to join in occasional letters and statements, as well as substantive initiatives like our EV RFI. We hold monthly coordination calls for each city's Sustainability Climate Lead to participate and share progress. Please let us know the relevant person in your city who would be participating in those calls going forwards and I'll make sure they're added to our mailing list.

For further information please refer to this website <http://www.climate-mayors.org/paris-agreement-adoption-toolkit/>

Thank you

Shaun Fernando
On behalf of Climate Mayors

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To: Zatcoff, Alicia R. - DPU; CDP Cities NA
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Subject: RE: Respond on behalf of your city to the withdrawal of the Paris Agreement

Hi Alicia,

Certainly—thank you for stepping up and taking action today about this. I am cc'ing Elan from WWF here for your reference. WWF is serving to aggregate all the interest from multiple entities who are signing the statement (Cities, States/Regions, Companies, Universities) and is coordinating its release and placement in the news.

The statement will be released on Monday, June 5th.

Now that Elan has your email, he will make sure that you have the communications materials needed to help amplify that when it is released.

If there are any other Mayors/Counties that you think would like to be represented on the statement, please have them contact us by Monday, 1pm Eastern.

Thank you and your City for your continued participation in the CDP Cities Questionnaire—we look forward to working with you more in the future.

Thank you for all you do!

Best,
Amy

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To: Zatcoff, Alicia R. - DPU
Cc: Nolan, James S. - OPS
Subject: Re: Climate-another open letter

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On Jun 2, 2017, at 12:20 PM, Zatcoff, Alicia R. - DPU <Alicia.Zatcoff@Richmondgov.com> wrote:

Does the Mayor want to sign on to open letter being organized by the World Wildlife Fund? It is being signed by cities, states, businesses and investors across the U.S. to demonstrate opposition to Trump withdrawing from the Paris Agreement and to show multi-sector collaboration on climate action in the U.S. Over two dozen mayors have signed so far. Letter is below. Thanks, Alicia

Open letter to the international community and parties to the Paris Agreement from U.S. state, local, and business leaders

We, the undersigned mayors, governors, college and university leaders and businesses are joining forces for the first time to declare, that we will continue to support climate action to meet the Paris Agreement.

In December 2015 in Paris, world leaders signed the first global commitment to fight climate change. The landmark agreement succeeded where past attempts failed because it allowed each country to set its own emission reduction targets and adopt its own strategies for reaching them. In addition, nations – inspired by the actions of local and regional governments, along with businesses – came to recognize that fighting climate change brings significant economic and public health benefits.

The Trump administration’s announcement undermines a key pillar in the fight against climate change and damages the world’s ability to avoid the most dangerous and costly effects of climate change. Importantly, it is also out of step with what is happening in the United States.

In the U.S., it is local and state governments, along with businesses, that are primarily responsible for the dramatic decrease in greenhouse gas emissions in recent years. Actions by each group will multiply and accelerate in the years ahead, no matter what policies Washington may adopt.

In the absence of leadership from Washington, states, cities, colleges and universities and businesses representing a sizeable percentage of the U.S. economy will pursue ambitious climate goals, working together to take forceful action and to ensure that the U.S. remains a global leader in reducing emissions.

It is imperative that the world know that in the U.S., the actors that will provide the leadership necessary to meet our Paris commitment are found in city halls, state capitals, colleges and universities and businesses. Together, we will remain actively engaged with the international community as part of the global effort to hold warming to under 2°C and to accelerate the transition to a clean energy economy that will benefit our security, prosperity, and health.

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Alicia –

Mayor wants to sign on.

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Subject: RE: #ClimateMayors adopt, honor and uphold #ParisAgreement goals

The move by Trump to withdraw the U.S. from the Paris Climate Agreement is a big deal. Reactions from state and local governments, business, and other leaders has been swift and strong. The issue is getting a lot of news coverage as well. Please see below and let me know if you need anything else. Thanks,
Alicia

Recommendations:

? I agree that Mayor Stoney should sign on to the statement issued by the Mayor's National Climate Action Agenda. This requires that he join the Climate Mayors which I recommend he do. I listed the commitments below. The City of Richmond meets all the commitments. If the Mayor decides to join, I can notify the Climate Mayor's Coordinator.

? I recommend that Mayor Stoney issue a press release and social media today re:

- his decision to sign on to the statement issued by the Mayor's National Climate Action Agenda
- his decision to join the Mayor's National Climate Action Agenda
- connect his decision to the city's RVAgreen 2050 commitment/goals
- for social media can use tags including: #ClimateMayors #ParisAgreementgoals

Cities that join Climate Mayors commit to:

- Calling for binding emission reductions at the US federal level as well as a global emission reductions agreement;
- Engaging in and supporting activities leading up to and during the 2015 negotiations in Paris to support the Obama Administration and other parties to create a global agreement;
- Establishing and regularly reporting annually or bi-annually a municipal and community-wide GHG inventory (preferably with third party verification), while supporting standardization of municipal and community-wide inventories and reporting;
- Establishing, or renewing, an existing aggressive GHG emissions reduction target for both the near term (i.e., by 2020 or sooner) and long term (e.g., 80% reductions by 2050);
- Developing, or updating, a community climate action plan, which identifies specific strategies for meeting the emissions reduction target as well as tying mitigation with adaptation measures where possible;
- Committing to finding an appropriate offset project(s), working collectively to remove barriers, and expanding offsets available to municipalities offered by the Climate Action Reserve, and other measures through the California cap and trade system (or other existing system);
- Ensuring climate equity and environmental justice is prioritized in climate action plans.

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Subject: To The Mayor: June 2, 2017

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TO THE MAYOR FROM THE CEO AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



TOM COCHRAN CEO AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

June 2, 2017
Washington, D.C.

82 Mayors Will Adopt Paris Agreement, Reject Trump Withdrawal

By the end of the day yesterday, 82 mayors representing 39 million people announced that they will adopt, honor, and uphold the Paris Climate Accord. The list of mayors standing up on this issue is growing.

They write, "We will continue to lead. We are increasing investments in renewable energy and energy efficiency. We will buy and create more demand for electric cars and trucks. We will increase our efforts to cut greenhouse gas

emissions, create a clean energy economy, and stand for environmental justice. And if the President wants to break the promises made to our allies enshrined in the historic Paris Agreement, we'll build and strengthen relationships around the world to protect the planet from devastating climate risks. The world cannot wait—and neither will we."

Governors Announce Formation of U.S. Climate Alliance, Trump Quitting Called "Reckless"

The Governors of New York, Washington, and California have taken a stand against President Trump's quitting the Paris Climate Agreement. New York Governor Andrew Cuomo said yesterday that President Trump walking away "leaves the full responsibility of climate action on states and cities across the nation." Cuomo also said that President Trump's quitting is "reckless" and is an "abdication" of leadership.

California Governor Jerry Brown said, "The President has said climate change is a hoax - I don't believe fighting reality is a good strategy." He says all scientific and world opinion is exact opposite of the hoax terminology used by President Trump. Brown says, "If the President is going to be AWOL in this profoundly human endeavor, then California and other states will step up.

Washington Governor Jay Inslee said, "While the President's actions are a shameful rebuke of the work needed to protect our planet for our children and grandchildren, states have and will continue to step up.

President Trump Says He Will Renegotiate; France,

Italy, and Germany Say No.

One of the confusing aspects of President Trump's position on climate is his continuing to call it a hoax, but he said yesterday he would renegotiate on an issue he's termed as a hoax.

Less than an hour after President Trump quit the Paris Agreement, Italy, France, and Germany issued a joint statement saying the agreement cannot be renegotiated.

"We deem the momentum generated in Paris in December 2015 irreversible and we firmly believe that the Paris Agreement cannot be renegotiated since it is a vital instrument for our planet, societies, and economies."

Paris Mayor Anne Hidalgo said America is making a "dramatic mistake" just two years after playing a key role in securing the deal.

It's important to point out that President Trump calling it quits doesn't necessarily kill the agreement since participation is voluntary, but without America's involvement, the global effort to cut emissions makes it less likely for the nations, except Nicaragua and Syria, to reach its target. The question is whether mayors and governors will ignore President Trump and continue to go forward and keep doing what they have been doing what they have been doing to meet the climate challenges. Yesterday's reaction to President Trump quitting seemed to reinvigorate more action and energy. Mayors, governors, and big business are not quitters on this issue. Even before Paris in 2015, mayors were "doing" climate, walking the walk, while national leaders were just talking. Mayors around the world joined together to pressure presidents, prime ministers, kings, and queens to get up and stand up and with thousands of mayors agree to something. The mayors of the world stood on the steps of Paris City Hall with Paris Mayor Anne Hidalgo - proud of the national leaders who agreed on the voluntary goals of the Paris Agreement. Based on the reactions to our President's decision yesterday, the efforts to confront climate

change will not be diminished because President Trump said we should call it quits.

Congratulations Mayor Duggan and City of Detroit - Red to Black with \$63 million Surplus.

Not too long ago, Detroit was on the brink of bankruptcy, despair, and even some questioned if one of the greatest cities of America would survive. The figures released from Detroit's comprehensive financial report are great news for Mayor Mike Duggan, the city of Detroit, and the people of Detroit for the auditor's report is letting the world know that Detroit's budget has gone from red to black with a \$63 million surplus.

Detroit has given our nation so much and they will continue as they have in the past with the budget report this week and continued mayoral leadership in Detroit. Congratulations again to Mayor Duggan.

Oklahoma City Mayor Mick Cornett Announces He's Running for Governor

Our President of The United States Conference of Mayors, Oklahoma City Mayor Mick Cornett announced Wednesday through social media that he will be entering the race to become Oklahoma's next governor.

Mayor Cornett intends to file the necessary paperwork next week and is planning a formal, public launch of his campaign for Governor in July.

Mayor Cornett will, of course, serving as our President, will preside over our 85th Annual Meeting of the Conference of Mayors as we gather this month in Miami Beach at the Fontainebleau Hotel.

Mayor Cornett will finish his fourth and final term as Mayor of Oklahoma City in April of 2018. He is the only mayor of his city who has served a record four terms.

His leadership and contributions to his city have resulted in Oklahoma City being a recognized and viable place to live and to do business that ranks high worldwide. All agree that Mick Cornett's leadership, vision, and action have made Oklahoma City the thriving place that it is today.

His contribution to our organization has been tremendous. He will be missed as he leaves our organization in April 2018 as he moves toward his next level of public service to his city, his state, and our nation, we all wish him and his wife Terri the best and of course, success and victory. Meantime, we are fortunate to have him as he works to make our meeting in Miami Beach this month the best Annual Meeting yet. If you have not yet registered, please do so now. Contact Carol Edwards on my staff if you have any questions.

Here's a Fact.

The first provisional mayor of Oklahoma City, William L. Couch in 1889 was shot dead over a land claim after the big land run to establish the city.

James Norick, elected in 1959 was the father of a future mayor, Ron Norick, who was elected in 1967.

Patience Latting was the first woman to be elected to a city over 350,000 in

1971.

Mick Cornett became Oklahoma City's 35th Mayor in 2004. He is the first mayor in the city's history to be elected for a fourth term and is currently the longest-serving mayor among the 50 largest cities of the United States.

Tom

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Subject: Invitation -- Resilient Cities Summit - Richmond

Good afternoon,

On behalf of the National League of Cities, the Urban Land Institute, and US Green Building Council, it is my pleasure to extend this invitation for Mayor Stoney to join other leading mayors at the third Resilient Cities Summit this July 17-19 in Stowe, Vermont.

You will find more information in the attached invitation letter, but here are a few summarized details:

- **What:** Participate in the Resilient Cities Summit, a mayoral roundtable to address local land use and building challenges that confront cities
- **Who:** We are inviting the mayor to attend. If accepted, the city may also send one senior staff official to add expertise to the conversation and to help follow through on any outcomes

- **When:** July 17-19, 2017
- **Where:** The Topnotch Resort in Stowe, VT
- **Why:** the Summit provides an opportunity for mayors, city staff, and national experts to have an intimate, facilitated forum about how local governments can promote communities that are environmentally, economically, and socially resilient. Specifically, this year's event focuses on how cities can identify the financial tools to thrive in spite of reduced federal resources.
- **How:** the organizers will cover your hotel and meals during the Summit, provide up to \$700 reimbursement for airfare, and arrange ground transportation to/from the Burlington Airport.

To register your response or ask any questions, please contact me or my colleague Shafaq Choudry at schoudry@nlc.org. We hope to see the mayor in Stowe!

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