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**Metro Mayors Elect 2019 Leadership**  
*Mayors sign agreement with N.C. League of Municipalities*

RALEIGH –The N.C. Metropolitan Mayors Coalition, a bipartisan group representing the mayors of the state’s larger cities, has elected Greensboro Mayor Nancy Vaughan as its chair, Goldsboro Chuck Allen as vice chair, Apex Mayor Lance Olive as treasurer, and Asheville Mayor Esther Manheimer as past chair. Members of the executive committee elected include Carrboro Mayor Lydia Lavelle, Winston-Salem Mayor Allen Joines, Chapel Hill Mayor Pam Hemminger and Statesville Mayor Costi Kutteh.

The bipartisan elected officers and executive committee will lead the Coalition in its work with the General Assembly and Executive Branch, advocating for policies that create high quality economic development, invest in transportation networks and promote public safety across the State.

The Coalition enters its eighteenth year after its Annual meeting hosted in Asheville last week by Mayor Esther Manheimer.

The Mayors were pleased to hear from guest speakers N.C. Transportation Secretary Jim Trogdon, N.C. Department of Environmental Quality Secretary Michael Regan as well as State Emergency Management Director Mike Sprayberry and FEMA senior official Nancy Caster during the two-day meeting.

During the meeting the Metropolitan Mayors Coalition also signed an agreement with the N.C. League of Municipalities that begins a process of collaboration and affiliation between the two organizations that allows the Mayors Coalition to utilize the expertise and resources within the League of Municipalities.

Asheville Mayor Manheimer, the outgoing Chair of the Metropolitan Mayor Coalition, signed the agreement along with League of Municipalities President Michael Lazzara, Mayor Pro Tem of Jacksonville. Manheimer said, “Formalizing our partnership will make our all of our cities stronger while retaining a unique forum for urban and metropolitan issues in N.C.”

“By working together, the League and the Metropolitan Mayors Coalition can best address the interests of all North Carolina cities and towns,” Lazzara said. “We know that, collectively and cooperatively, we can continue to advance these interests, even as they reflect the individual visions of all cities and towns in the state.”

*The North Carolina Metropolitan Mayors Coalition, founded in 2001, is comprised of the mayors of the state's larger cities, with nearly 3.9 million residents or 66 percent of the State's municipal population. The Coalition is a non-partisan, mayor-driven organization that focuses on issues of special interest to our large cities in a fast-growing and urbanizing state. The Coalition has worked successfully with federal and state elected officials to promote job creation, protect local revenues, invest in public infrastructure, and keep our cities safe.*

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