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DOLTON MAYOR RILEY H. ROGERS JOINS MAYORS ACROSS THE COUNTRY TO PROMOTE ‘DAY OF ACTION’ IN SUPPORT OF IMMIGRANTS AND IMMIGRATION REFORM

DOLTON—Mayor Riley H. Rogers today joined with mayors across the country to demonstrate his support for immigrants and immigration reform.

“Many different races and ethnicities form the rich cultural tapestry that is the United States of America,” said Mayor Rogers. “Here in Dolton, we are committed to ensuring that the human rights and civil rights of all people are recognized and respected. We are stronger when we integrate immigrants into the civic, social, cultural, and economic fabric of our cities,” he added.

In cities large and small, mayors are launching their Cities’ Day of Immigration Action, with the goal of bringing together faith leaders, residents, stakeholders and community based organizations for a variety of events that support immigrants, share important information about rights and available resources and underscores their value to both the national and local economies.

Earlier today, U.S. Conference of Mayors leaders Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti, Providence Mayor Jorge Elorza, Anaheim Mayor Tom Tait and Seattle Mayor Ed Murray held a bipartisan press conference call with reporters to highlight the important role of cities in addressing the challenges created by our broken immigration system.

At the Conference’s Annual Winter Meeting in Washington in January, mayors adopted a resolution calling for enactment of bipartisan comprehensive immigration reform, the continuation of programs that protect the temporary status of Dreamers, and recognizes the social, economic and cultural contributions of immigrant communities nationwide.

(The U.S. Conference of Mayors is the official nonpartisan organization of cities with populations of 30,000 or more. There are nearly 1,400 such cities in the country today, and each city is represented in the Conference by its chief elected official, the mayor.)