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Evanston Council Member Clare Kelly Appointed Vice Chair of National League of Cities Finance, Administration and Intergovernmental Relations Federal Advocacy Committee

Evanston, Illinois — Clare Kelly, Council Member of Evanston, Illinois, has been appointed Vice Chair of the National League of Cities (NLC) 2025 Finance, Administration and Intergovernmental Relations Federal Advocacy Committee. Council Member Kelly was elected to a one-year term and will provide strategic direction and guidance for NLC's federal advocacy agenda and policy priorities on municipal finance and intergovernmental relations with the federal government. The appointment was announced by NLC President Sharon Weston Broome, Mayor-President of Baton Rouge, LA.

"Evanston is tackling complex issues related to affordability," says Kelly. "We need to provide infrastructure and development that responsibly support our environmental climate action goals while maintaining an economically diverse community where the quality of living remains paramount. These are areas where the NLC's Finance, Administration & Intergovernmental Relations Committee (FAIR) can provide important guidance and advocacy to cities nationwide. I'm honored to be appointed to the NLC's FAIR committee and to have the opportunity to work with municipal leaders nationwide together on these important topics for our residents and for our cities."

As Vice Chair of the committee, Council Member Kelly will play a key role in shaping NLC's policy positions and advocating on behalf of America's cities, towns and villages before Congress, with the administration and at home in Evanston, Illinois.

"NLC's federal advocacy committees are vital for uplifting the voices and needs of America's 19,000 cities, towns and villages to decision-makers in Washington," said National League of Cities President Sharon Weston Broome, Mayor-President of Baton Rouge, Louisiana. "I am excited to work with Council Member Kelly and look forward to supporting their vision and leadership as they lead the Finance, Administration and Intergovernmental Relations Committee this year and help grow the partnership between local and federal leaders."

The leadership of this year's committee will consist of Chair Blaine Griffin, Council President of Cleveland, Ohio; Vice Chair Clare Kelly, Council Member of Evanston, Illinois; and Vice Chair Mary Dennis, Mayor of Live Oak, Texas.

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