TOP 10 PROGRAMS IN THE BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT AND JOBS ACT THAT YOU MAY NOT HAVE HEARD ABOUT

- Weatherization: Two-thirds of low-income U.S. households have high energy burdens, meaning they spend more than 6 percent of their income on utility bills. The Bipartisan Infrastructure Deal will invest a historic \$3.5 billion in the Weatherization Assistance Program, reducing energy costs for more than 700,000 low-income households by increasing the energy efficiency of their homes, while ensuring health and safety and creating jobs.
- 2. Wildfires: One estimate found that 4.5 million homes in the United States are at risk of wildfire. The bill invests \$8 billion in wildfire risk reduction by providing funding for community wildfire defense grants, mechanical thinning, controlled burns, the Collaborative Forest Restoration Program, and firefighting resources.
- 3. Floods: The cost of flood damage was approximately \$17 billion annually in the last decade, and is expected to increase significantly due climate-related extreme weather and rising sea levels. The bill invests \$12 billion in flood mitigation, including funding for FEMA flood mitigation grants, making infrastructure investments to increase coastal resilience, and improving mapping and data so that households and businesses can better protect themselves from future flood events.
- 4. Brownfields and superfund: 26% of Black Americans and 29% of Hispanic Americans live within 3 miles of a Superfund site, a higher percentage than for Americans overall. Proximity to a Superfund site can lead to elevated levels of lead in children's blood. The deal invests \$5 billion in addressing legacy pollution at these sites, creating good-paying union jobs and advancing economic and environmental justice.
- 5. Natural gas wells and coal mines: In thousands of rural and urban communities around the country, hundreds of thousands of former industrial and energy sites, including orphan wells and abandoned land mines, are now idle sources of blight and pollution. The deal invests \$16 billion in creating good-paying union jobs capping these wells and mines.
- 6. Pipeline safety: More than 20,000 miles of cast iron pipelines—much of which was installed in the 1800's and early 1900's—transports natural gas underneath communities in the U.S. This infrastructure, which is prone to leaks and fugitive methane emissions, is mostly located in disadvantaged areas including older cities like Philadelphia, Detroit, Baltimore, New York, and St. Louis. Since 2010, the U.S. has experienced thousands of pipeline incidents, resulting in hundreds of injuries and deaths, tens of thousands of evacuations, and more than \$4 billion in damages. The bill includes \$1 billion for the "Natural Gas Distribution Infrastructure Safety and Modernization Grant Program" to modernize natural gas distribution pipelines, reducing incidents and fatalities, and avoiding economic losses.

- 7. Battery manufacturing: Today, the U.S. relies heavily on importing advanced battery components from abroad, exposing the nation to supply chain vulnerabilities that threaten to disrupt the availability and cost of these technologies, as well as the workforce that manufactures them. The Bipartisan Infrastructure Deal will invest \$6B to spur U.S. advanced battery processing, manufacturing, and recycling, creating good-paying jobs and enabling American manufactures to win the 21st century.
- 8. Safe Streets: Over 36,000 Americans died in motor vehicle crashes in 2019, including over 6,200 pedestrians and about 850 bicyclists. The United States has one of the highest traffic fatality rates in the industrialized world, double the rate in Canada and quadruple that in Europe. The Bipartisan Infrastructure Deal includes \$5 billion for a first-of-its kind "Safe Streets for All" program to fund state and local "vision zero" plans and other improvements to reduce crashes and fatalities, especially for the most vulnerable of roadways users.
- **9. Transit station ADA program:** More than 30 years after the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act, nearly 1,000 transit stations are still not fully accessible, which prevents millions of older Americans and individuals with disabilities from fully enjoying public transit. The Bipartisan Infrastructure Deal includes a total of \$2 billion for transit ADA, including \$1.75 billion for All Stations Accessibility and \$250 million for Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities. These programs will remove barriers to transportation service and expand transportation mobility options for Americans across the country.
- **10. Cybersecurity:** The recent cybersecurity breaches of federal government data systems, critical infrastructure, and American businesses underscore the importance and urgency of strengthening U.S. cybersecurity capabilities. The bipartisan Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act will invest about \$2 billion to modernize and secure federal, state, and local IT and networks; protect critical infrastructure and utilities, with a particular focus on the grid; and invest in cyber training to train Americans to fill skilled cyber jobs in the public and private sectors.