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The U.S. Conference of Mayors President and Long Beach Mayor Beverly O’Neill Discusses the Need for Continued Investment in Cities at the Brownfields 2005 National Conference

Denver, CO – The United States Conference of Mayors President and Long Beach (CA) Mayor Beverly O’Neill will address the Brownfields 2005 National Conference during a plenary session on Wednesday, November 2, 2005 in Denver, Colorado. In addition, Denver’s Mayor John Hickenlooper will also give opening remarks during the same session.

In her remarks, Mayor O’Neill will discuss the fact that metro economies – made up of cities and suburbs – are essential to the prosperity and continued health of this country. “The U.S. Conference of Mayors Metro Economy Reports prove beyond a shadow of a doubt the tremendous impact that cities and counties, together, have on the well-being of our nation,” O’Neill said. “Cities and their metropolitan areas represent more than 80% of employment, income and production of products and services in this country. Brownfields redevelopment has played an integral part in the revitalization and rebirth of many communities, and that is why investing in cities is not a hand-out, but a wise investment,” she continued.

WHO: Long Beach (CA) Mayor Beverly O’Neill, USCM President
Denver (CO) Mayor John Hickenlooper, Host Mayor

WHAT: Addresses the Brownfields 2005 National Conference

WHEN: Wednesday, November 2, 2005 – 4:00 p.m.
(Richard Florida Plenary Session)

WHERE: Colorado Convention Center – Ballroom 5-8
Denver, Colorado

The U.S. Conference of Mayors is the official nonpartisan organization of cities with populations of 30,000 or more. There are 1,139 such cities in the country today, each represented in the Conference by its chief elected official, the Mayor.