***MEDIA ADVISORY***

MAYORS ENCOURAGE SMALL BUSINESSES TO GO GREEN

Washington D.C – The Chair of the Energy Committee of The United States Conference of Mayors, Mayor Will Wynn (Austin, TX) will testify before the House Committee on Small Business on Wednesday, July 11 at a hearing titled: “Small Businesses at the Forefront of the Green Revolution: What More Needs to Be Done to Keep Them Here?”

Mayor Marty Blum (Santa Barbara, CA) and Mayor Adrian Fenty (Washington, DC) will also testify at the hearing where mayors will be sharing their perspective on how cities are encouraging efforts by small firms in developing and implementing environmentally-friendly technologies and infrastructure.

The Conference is leading the effort to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and decrease energy dependency. More the 500 mayors have signed the USCM Climate Protection Agreement, the only agreement of its kind among U.S. elected officials, to reduce carbon emission to 1990 levels in line with the Kyoto Protocol. Also, the Conference has put in place a mayor’s Climate Protection Center which supports the nation mayors’ efforts to materialize the pledge of the agreement.

WHO: Mayor Will Wynn (Austin, TX),
Mayor Marty Blum (Santa Barbara, CA),
Mayor Adrian Fenty (Washington D.C)

WHAT: Hearing on Small Businesses at the Forefront of the Green Revolution

WHEN: Wednesday, July 11th - 11:00 AM

WHERE: 2360 Rayburn House Office Building.

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.

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