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STATEMENT BY U.S. CONFERENCE OF MAYORS PRESIDENT
PHILADELPHIA MAYOR MICHAEL A. NUTTER
AND USCM CEO & EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TOM COCHRAN
ON THE PASSING OF NEW JERSEY SENATOR FRANK LAUTENBERG

Washington, D.C. – U.S. Conference of Mayors (USCM) President Philadelphia (PA) Mayor Michael A. Nutter and USCM CEO and Executive Director Tom Cochran today issued the following joint statement in response to the death of New Jersey Senator Frank Lautenberg:

"The loss of Senator Lautenberg is the loss of a giant in Congress who fought for many, many causes that affected the nation's cities and their people. Senator Lautenberg was a tireless friend to U.S. Mayors who helped us on every legislative front -- especially with Community Development Block Grants, gun safety legislation, funding for local Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants as well as Brownfields cleanup and redevelopment.

"Our thoughts and prayers are with his family at this difficult time, and we are all in mourning as we will miss him dearly."

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