

## AN INFORMAL RESOLUTION

Endorsing H.R. 5356 and Urging Congress to Establish a National Infrastructure Bank.

**WHEREAS**, the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), in its 2025 Infrastructure Report Card, assigned the United States an overall grade of C, estimating that more than \$9 trillion is needed to bring the nation's infrastructure into a state of good repair, with nearly \$4 trillion currently unfunded and the remainder insufficiently funded; and

**WHEREAS**, in response to these needs, some members of Congress have introduced H.R. 5356, the National Infrastructure Bank Act, which would establish a National Infrastructure Bank (NIB) dedicated to financing critical infrastructure projects; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed legislation would create a \$5 trillion public bank capitalized through existing U.S. Treasury debt, consistent with prior federal financing models, and would not require new federal taxes or direct appropriations; and

**WHEREAS**, many municipalities rely on annual borrowing to fund essential capital improvements, maintenance, and infrastructure upkeep; and

**WHEREAS**, our nation's infrastructure needs are significant and ongoing, including flood mitigation, the maintenance of bridges and overpasses, and necessary upgrades to water and sewage treatment plants; and

**WHEREAS**, the establishment of a National Infrastructure Bank would provide a new financing partner to support large-scale infrastructure investments at the local level, in coordination with state and federal efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed NIB builds upon historical precedents of national infrastructure financing institutions established under Presidents George Washington, James Madison, Abraham Lincoln, and Franklin D. Roosevelt, which played a central role in developing the nation's infrastructure; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Infrastructure Bank Act is projected to generate substantial economic benefits, including the creation of millions of jobs, the payment of prevailing wages under Davis-Bacon standards, strengthened Buy America provisions, and expanded opportunities for small and medium-sized businesses, while increasing revenues for state and local governments; and

**WHEREAS**, the concept of a National Infrastructure Bank has received broad support from numerous organizations and jurisdictions, multiple state legislatures, and other major cities such as New York, Providence, Philadelphia, Chicago, Los Angeles, Seattle, and Detroit; now, therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DAYTON:**

That the City of Dayton Commission hereby urges the United States Congress to pass H.R. 5356 and establish a National Infrastructure Bank to finance urgently needed infrastructure projects here in Dayton and nationwide.

ADOPTED BY THE COMMISSION.. SEPTEMBER .23..., 2026

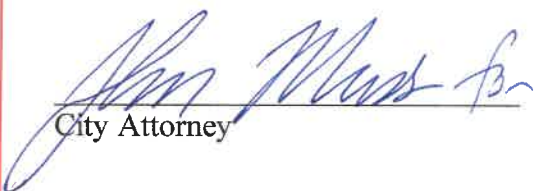
SIGNED BY THE MAYOR.... SEPTEMBER .23....., 2026

  
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Mayor of the City of Dayton, Ohio

ATTEST:

  
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Clerk of Commission

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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City Attorney