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Local Officials Talk Cybersecurity, Infrastructure and ADA Compliance with Florida’s Congressional Delegation

*Members of the Florida League of Cities Federal Action Strike Team bring local issues to
Washington, D.C.*

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The Florida League of Cities Federal Action Strike Team (FAST) recently traveled to Washington, D.C., to meet with members of Florida’s congressional delegation and advocate for key federal issues that affect municipalities. More than 40 municipal officials representing all regions of the state participated in the trip, known as the FAST Fly-In, a biannual advocacy trip for members of the FAST committee.

“Cooperation and communication between government at the local, state and federal levels are essential to meeting our communities’ needs,” said FAST Chair and Cooper City Mayor Greg Ross. “The League’s FAST Fly-In trip provides us the opportunity to have those conversations and foster those relationships. I was proud to stand beside my fellow municipal officials and advocate for Florida cities with a unified voice.”

During their time in our nation’s capital, local leaders focused their discussions and advocacy efforts on key priority issues including infrastructure, cybersecurity, municipal website compliance with the federal Americans with Disabilities Act, reauthorization of the National Flood Insurance Program and the federal preemption of small cell infrastructure deployment.

“This was the largest FAST Fly-in group to date,” said Florida League of Cities Legislative Affairs Director Scott Dudley. “Each participant brought a unique perspective to our meetings, which helped our congressional delegation better understand the local impacts of the issues we discussed. We really appreciate the delegation meeting with us and we look forward to working with them this year.”

The group met with 24 members of Florida’s congressional delegation, including Senators Marco Rubio and Rick Scott. FAST members also attended a briefing with the White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs where they spoke with representatives from the National Security Council, the Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency, the Federal Emergency

Management Agency, the Department of Transportation, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, the Economic Development Administration and the Environmental Protection Agency.

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