For Immediate Release

Feb. 11, 2013

Contact

Gene McGee, Mayor <u>Mayor.mcgee@ridgelandms.org</u> 601-856-7113

Gene McGee Appointed to National League of Cities Public Safety & Crime Prevention Steering Committee

Washington, DC – Gene McGee, Mayor, Ridgeland, Mississippi has been appointed to the National League of Cities (NLC) 2013 Public Safety & Crime Prevention Steering Committee. This Committee has the lead responsibility for developing NLC federal policy positions on issues involving crime prevention, corrections, substance abuse, municipal fire policy, juvenile justice, disaster preparedness and relief, homeland security, domestic terrorism, court systems and gun control. The appointment was announced by NLC President Marie Lopez Rogers, Mayor, Avondale, Ariz.

"It is an honor to serve as vice chairman of the National League of Cities Public Safety and Crime Prevention Steering Committee," said McGee. "I look forward to serving with city officials from all across the United States as we look for solutions to make our country safer for all our citizens."

As a member of the committee, Gene McGee will play a key role in shaping NLC's policy positions, while advocating on behalf of America's cities and towns on Capitol Hill, with the administration and at home.

The chair of this year's Public Safety & Crime Prevention Committee is Pete Constant, Councilmember, San Jose, Calif. Serving as this year's vice chairs are Gene McGee, Mayor, Ridgeland, Miss. and Scott Somers, Vice Mayor, Mesa, Ariz.

For more information on NLC's other committees and councils, visit http://www.nlc.org/influence-federal-policy/policy-committees.

The National League of Cities is the nation's oldest and largest organization devoted to strengthening and promoting cities as centers of opportunity, leadership and governance. NLC is a resource and advocate for 19,000 cities, towns and villages, representing more than 218 million Americans.