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NABTU: It's time to Invest in America

Building Trades Commend House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee's Efforts On New Surface Transportation Bill

Washington, D.C. – June 16, 2020 – North America's Building Trades Unions (NABTU) President Sean McGarvey issued the following statement commending the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure for their leadership to bring forward a new surface transportation bill, the INVEST in America Act:

"I want to thank Chairman DeFazio and his staff for their efforts in crafting a surface transportation bill that will create millions of job opportunities for North America's Building Trades Unions' members across the nation rebuilding our crumbling infrastructure. The INVEST in America Act will provide the level of funding needed to lay the foundation for long term economic recovery as we emerge from this COVID-19 economy, and the Chairman's commitment to ensuring strong prevailing wage labor standards throughout the bill must be commended.

"The action taken by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure represents an important first step by the House of Representatives to move a comprehensive infrastructure package. NABTU looks forward to seeing this bill move through the legislative process, and will continue to work with all Members of the House and Senate to pass a bold, broad, bipartisan and robust infrastructure package that can be signed by the president."

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About NABTU: North America's Building Trades Unions is an alliance of 14 national and international unions in the building and construction industry that collectively represent over 3 million skilled craft professionals in the United States and Canada. Each year, our unions and our signatory contractor partners invest over \$1.6 billion in private-sector money to fund and operate over 1,900 apprenticeship training and education facilities across North America that produce the safest, most highly trained, and productive, skilled craft workers found anywhere in the world. NABTU is dedicated to creating economic security and employment opportunities for its construction workers by safeguarding wage and benefits standards, promoting responsible private capital investments, investing in renowned apprenticeship and training, and creating pathways to the middle class for women, communities of color and military veterans in the construction industry. For more information, please visit www.nabtu.org, and to learn more about the building trades efforts during this pandemic, please follow the hashtag **#buildingtradeswhateverittakes**.