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MEDIA ADVISORY

Mayor Ness to Join Nationwide Effort to Recognize Impact of National Service

Duluth, MN – On April 9, Mayor Don Ness will join more than 800 mayors across the country in a day of recognition to highlight the impact of national service on city challenges.

Mayor Ness will host the Mayors Day of Recognition for National Service at the Duluth Public Safety Building where he will present a proclamation and thank local participants who serve in the Duluth community. Cake, coffee, and other light refreshments will be served.

The nation's Mayors are increasingly turning to national service and volunteerism as a cost-effective strategy to address city challenges at a time of fiscal constraint. More than 280 National Service members serve in Duluth, providing vital support to city residents including:educating students for jobs of the 21st century to preserving the environment and helping communities recover from natural disasters. The Mayors Day of Recognition for National Service is a national bipartisan effort to recognize the positive impact of national service in cities, to thank those who serve, and to encourage citizens to give back to their communities.

WHAT: Mayors Day of Recognition for National Service WHERE: Duluth Public Safety Building, 2030 N Arlington Ave

WHEN: Tuesday, April 9th, 10:30 am - 11:30 am

WHO: National Service Members: Minnesota Alliance with Youth – Promise Fellows, Minnesota Green Corps, True North AmeriCorps (YMCA), RSVP (AEOA), Senior Corps (Senior Companions through Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota and Foster Grandparents through Catholic Charities Bureau), Serve Minnesota Action Network, Minnesota Math Corps, Minnesota Reading Corps, and VISTA

The Mayors Day of Recognition is sponsored by the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS), the National League of Cities, Cities of Service, and the U.S. Conference of Mayors President Michael Nutter. Taking place on April 9, 2013, mayors across the country will hold public events and activities to recognize the impact of national service and thanks those who serve. For more information, visit NationalService.gov/mayorsforservice

The Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) is a federal agency that engages more than five million Americans in service through Senior Corps, AmeriCorps, the Social Innovation Fund and the Volunteer Generation Fund, and leads President Barack Obama's national call to service initiative, United We Serve. For more information, visit NationalService.gov.