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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## Colorado municipalities are leaders on affordable housing

**February 16, 2023, Denver, CO** – Today, the Colorado Municipal League released a <u>set of principles</u> to inform the housing and land use discussions occurring both inside and outside of the Colorado State Capitol. The principles highlight outcomes CML and Colorado municipalities are committed to, while specifying areas of unnecessary state overreach that the League and its members would oppose.

"Affordable housing is an issue from Aguilar to Denver, Aurora to Yuma, and everywhere in between," said Kevin Bommer, CML executive director. "Colorado has a strong tradition of partnerships that both allow the state to support local efforts while simultaneously respecting local choices in planning for growth, infill, and redevelopment. This year represents a historic opportunity to use state and voter-approved funding to support common goals addressing Colorado's housing needs."

"Municipalities continue to be leaders on aligning community needs, interests, and expectations to ensure everyone has the opportunity to live in a home they can afford," said CML Executive Board President and Greeley Council Member Dale Hall. "There is still much to do, and CML and our 270 members look forward to opportunities to partner with Gov. Polis and the General Assembly to roll up our sleeves and get it done."

Said Bommer, "CML is committed to working in coalition with the family of local government associations to ensure our respective members in Colorado are unified in support of meaningful steps to further address Colorado's housing needs."

CML is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization established 100 years ago in 1923 and represents the interests of 270 cities and towns. For more information on the Colorado Municipal League, please visit <a href="https://www.cml.org">www.cml.org</a> or call 303-831-6411.