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CLAYTON COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Wednesday, September 19, 2012

***Chairman Bell Attends White House Forum
Today to Discuss Economic Development***

WHO: The Honorable Eldrin A. Bell, Chairman
Clayton County Board of Commissioners

WHEN: September 19, 2012 (excluding during the time of the
meeting from 2:00-5:00 p.m.)

WHY: Chairman Bell as a member of the National Association Counties has been invited to attend a forum at the White House on September 19, 2012 entitled **Building Blocks for Economic Development and Job Growth**. The focus of the forum is the role of the public sector in making strategic investments to support job creation and economic opportunities. The goal of the event is to bring together senior White House and agency officials with regional development organizational leaders and county officials to highlight noteworthy practices across the nation.

Topics for discussion include:

- **Investing in the Future-Federal Investment in Infrastructure**
- **Lessons Learned from Public Private Partnerships**
- **Building Resilient Regions**
- **Connecting Local Communities to Regions and the Global Market**
- **Local Initiatives Targeting Economic Development**

During the forum, Chairman Bell will be introducing Clayton County's award winning Neighborhood Stabilization Program and requesting that the Obama Administration approve an additional \$9 million to expand the program.

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