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## **NAPA Statement on Introduction of BUILD America 250 Act**

GREENBELT, MD—The National Asphalt Pavement Association (NAPA), representing more than 1,100 companies responsible for producing, building, and maintaining the majority of U.S. highway surfaces, expressed strong support for the BUILD America 250 Act, the surface transportation reauthorization package released by Transportation & Infrastructure Committee Chairman Sam Graves (R-MO) and Ranking Member Rick Larsen (D-WA) on May 17, 2026.

Nationally, the asphalt pavement industry produces over 400 million tons of asphalt pavement annually, supports about 350,000 jobs, and comprises roughly 94 percent of the market for our nation's 2.7 million miles of paved roads and highways. Passage of the BUILD America 250 Act is critical to the success of our nation's infrastructure and to advancing the safety, efficiency, and condition of our national roadway network.

### **Statement by Audrey Copeland, PhD, PE, NAPA President & CEO**

"The BUILD America 250 Act is a major step forward for our nation and the asphalt pavement industry. The \$580 billion primarily dedicated to core surface transportation is a landmark investment for the American people who rely on safe, reliable roads every day. This bill, with its enhanced work zone safety protections, is equally historic for the American workers who build our roads. The federal government has a critical role in our nation's highway network, and this bill delivers the certainty our industry needs to keep innovating, investing, and building. Our roads depend on the skilled workforce, continuous innovation, and quality materials the asphalt pavement industry provides. With its novel electric vehicle user fee and streamlined permitting reforms, this legislation ensures we can continue delivering the infrastructure that keeps America and its economy moving. We urge Congress to pass this bill swiftly so President Trump can sign it into law."

## **Statement by Nile Elam, NAPA Vice President of Government Affairs**

“The BUILD America 250 Act, with a \$580 billion topline infrastructure investment and an array of meaningful policy reforms, reflects the deeply thoughtful work of House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee Chairman Sam Graves, Ranking Member Rick Larsen, their staffs, and the Committee members who worked tirelessly to introduce this bipartisan package. From protections for roadway workers to the first new Highway Trust Fund revenue stream in decades, this bill reflects the comprehensive, forward-thinking approach our infrastructure demands. We thank them for their work, and we will continue our collaboration with stakeholders to pass this bill out of the House as quickly and with as much bipartisan support as possible. With less than five months until current surface transportation programs expire, we must continue advancing this package and its companion bill in the Senate. As the BUILD America 250 Act moves through Congress, NAPA will continue highlighting the asphalt pavement industry’s priorities and partnering with policy stakeholders until it is passed by Congress and signed into law by President Trump.”

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## **About NAPA**

The National Asphalt Pavement Association (NAPA) is the only trade association that exclusively represents the interests of the asphalt pavement material producer/contractor on the national level with Congress and government agencies. Founded in 1955, NAPA supports research and technical education to improve the quality of asphalt pavements and paving techniques used across the nation.