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**CITIES TARGETED BY PRESIDENT TRUMP UNITE IN RESPONSE**

*New York, Portland, Seattle and Washington, DC speak out against political attack*

**NEW YORK**—New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio, Portland Mayor Ted Wheeler, Seattle Mayor Jenny Durkan and Washington, DC Mayor Muriel Bowser today issued a joint statement in response to President Donald Trump threatening to revoke federal funding from cities.

“Our cities, and the millions of Americans who we represent, are not President Trump’s political pawns. We are confronting unprecedented challenges—fighting back a pandemic and economic devastation without another stimulus. Now, instead of leadership from the White House, we are faced with new attacks that are unlawful, unconstitutional and will be undoubtedly defeated in court. President Trump needs to wake up to the reality facing our cities—and our entire country—and realize he is not above the law.”

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