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## **Mayor Anthony A. Williams to join the MetroLab Network Advisory Council**

Federal City Council CEO and Executive Director Tony Williams released the following statement on his appointment to the MetroLab Network Advisory Council:

As the challenges facing cities become increasingly complex, we need more sophisticated approaches to solve them. Based on my experience as Mayor of the District of Columbia, in the private sector and as a leader of non-profit organizations focused on improving cities, I have come to believe that part of the solution must be better collaboration among cities and the people committed to their improvement.

MetroLab Network is helping cities learn from each other while leveraging the power of university partnerships to advance innovative ideas that represent the greatest opportunities for delivering civic improvement in areas such as digital and information technology, data analytics, sensor applications and more.

At the Federal City Council we have learned of the power of Public Private Partnerships to bring people together across sectors and disciplines to solve important civic challenges. Through the MetroLab Network I look forward to helping cities, universities and residents realize benefits from collaborating on solutions more closely.

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