NDA Secures Demolition Priorities in FY 2022 Appropriations Bill

Last night, the Senate joined the House of Representatives in passing a \$1.5 trillion bipartisan appropriations bill that funds the federal government through the remainder of fiscal year (FY) 2022. The spending package also contains a supplemental funding bill providing \$13.6 billion to support Ukraine. The bill now heads to the president's desk for signature.

The legislation contains several <u>demolition priorities</u> that NDA lobbied for, including investments in workforce development initiatives, EPA Brownfields, infrastructure, disaster relief, small business programs and more. Below is an outline of key provisions for the demolition industry in the bill. A full summary can be found here.

- **Infrastructure:** \$103 billion in budgetary resources for the Department of Transportation to invest in airports, highways, transit, passenger rail, and port systems.
- **EPA Brownfields & Superfund:** \$92 million for Brownfields cleanups, a \$1 million increase above the 2021 enacted level and \$1.2 billion for Superfund, a \$27 million increase above the 2021 enacted level
- **Community Development Block Grant (CDBG):** Provides \$3.3 billion for Community Development Block Grant formula grants.
- **Disaster Relief:** \$18.8 billion for disaster response and recovery efforts.
- Workforce Development:
 - \$2.1 billion for Career, Technical and Adult Education, an increase of \$61 million above the FY
 2021 enacted level.
 - \$235 million for Registered Apprenticeships, an increase of \$50 million above the FY 2021 enacted level.
 - \$50 million, an increase of \$5 million over the FY 2021 enacted level, to continue and expand Strengthening Community College Training Grants to help meet local and regional labor market demand for a skilled workforce by providing training to workers in in-demand industries at community colleges and four-year partners.
 - \$2 million for science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) Apprenticeships to help align the skills of workers and the needs of employers.

• Small Business Administration

- \$1 billion in investments for programs to help small businesses and entrepreneurs access capital and contracting opportunities through the Small Business Administration (SBA).
- \$178 million for SBA disaster loans, which provide assistance to business owners, homeowners, and nonprofits that are rebuilding local communities in the wake of devastating natural disasters.