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American Water Charitable Foundation Announces Funding and Support for NGA Water Policy Network

VOORHEES, N.J., May 19, 2017 — The American Water Charitable Foundation, a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization created by American Water, the nation's largest publicly traded water and wastewater utility company, announced today support for the recently created National Governors Association Centers for Best Practices (NGA Center) Water Policy Learning Network. This unique partnership between the NGA and other partners like the American Water Charitable Foundation will provide a forum for our nation's leaders to share strategies and best practices on the responsible stewardship of our nation's valuable water resources.

"As leaders committed to a reliable water future we must work collaboratively to tackle the challenges facing our nation's water supply," said American Water Charitable Foundation Board Chairman Aldie Warnock. "Whether it's looking at ways to address an aging infrastructure or sharing information about water quality, this new program will provide valuable insights."

The new initiative will include an annual Water Policy Institute that will highlight best practices from states on a wide variety of issues, quarterly webinars and state retreats where designated cross-agency teams will develop policy strategies.

"We are proud to partner with the NGA on this innovative collaboration," said Darlene Williams, president, American Water Charitable Foundation. "The Water Policy Network is a unique three-year program aligned with our vision of providing support and funding for strategic initiatives that advance our commitment to clean water, conservation, education, and community sustainability."

"We are thrilled that Gov. Edmund G. Brown and Gov. Larry Hogan are co-chairing the Water Policy Learning Network," said NGA Executive Director and CEO Scott Pattison. "Both California and Maryland are recognized leaders in water quality and conservation policy."

About National Governors Association

The National Governors Association (NGA), founded in 1908, is the collective voice of the nation's governors and one of Washington, D.C.'s most respected public policy organizations. Its members are the governors of the states, territories and commonwealths. NGA provides governors and their senior staff members with services that range from representing states on Capitol Hill and before the Administration on key federal issues to developing and implementing innovative solutions to public policy challenges through the NGA Center for Best Practices. For more information, visit <u>www.nga.org</u>.

About the American Water Charitable Foundation

Established in 2010 with a founding contribution from American Water, the American Water Charitable Foundation is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization that provides a formal way to demonstrate the company's ongoing commitment to being a good neighbor, citizen, and contributor to the communities where

American Water and its employees live, work and operate. The Foundation helps support American Water employee-identified nonprofit endeavors. More information can be found online at amwater.com/corporate-responsibility or on Facebook.

About American Water

Founded in 1886, American Water is the largest and most geographically diverse publicly traded U.S. water and wastewater utility company. With headquarters in Voorhees, N.J., the company employs 6,800 dedicated professionals who provide regulated and market-based drinking water, wastewater and other related services to an estimated 15 million people in 47 states and Ontario, Canada. More information can be found at www.amwater.com.