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IRTBA President & CEO Mike Sturino has been appointed to serve on **Governor-Elect J.B. Pritzker** 's *Restoring Illinois' Infrastructure Transition Committee* .

"Illinois' role as a transportation hub for the nation is a critical component of our economy," said Governor-Elect J.B. Pritzker. "My administration will prioritize a comprehensive 21st Century Capital Bill to build the infrastructure we need to restore Illinois' place as an economic leader."

The co-chairs of the *Restoring Illinois' Infrastructure Transition Committee* are **Congressman Dan Lipinski, Congresswoman Cheri Bustos, Congressman-Elect Jesús "Chuy" García**, **State Sen. Martin Sandoval,** and **State Rep. Jay Hoffman**. Committee members include experts from across Illinois who will focus on surface, rail, water, broadband, and community infrastructure improvements.

"Roads and bridges across Illinois are in desperate need of attention, and this committee will take a serious look at how to leverage federal dollars to repair our crumbling infrastructure," said Congressman Lipinski. "As Illinois' senior member of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, I know investments in our roads, public transit, and airports pay dividends, and I'm ready to get to work."

"Illinois hasn't passed a comprehensive Capital Bill in almost a decade, so it's time we looked at investing in horizontal and vertical infrastructure improvements that will help our state thrive," said state Rep. Jay Hoffman. "I'm excited to get to work on this committee to start identifying the infrastructure needs of communities across Illinois and crafting a bipartisan plan to rebuild our state."

The committee will meet throughout the month of December, and will present its final report to the Governor-Elect prior to Inauguration Day, January 14, 2019.

"The incoming administration values IRTBA members' wealth of experience and innovative ideas," said IRTBA President & CEO Mike Sturino. "State of the art transportation infrastructure will make Illinois more competitive and improve its citizens' quality of life. We look forward to working closely with the Pritzker Administration to make that happen."