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COMPTON CITY LEADERS ENDORSE WESSON FOR SUPERVISOR

Compton City Council, School & Community College Board Members Join Growing List of Local Elected Officials Backing Herb Wesson for LA County Supervisor

LOS ANGELES, CA — After receiving an outpouring of support from numerous leaders across Los Angeles County, today, LA City Council President Herb Wesson received a series of endorsements from Compton, including Compton City Councilmembers Janna Zurita, Isaac Galvan, Tana McCoy and Emma Sharif, Compton Unified School District Board President Micah Ali and Board Members Charles Davis, Satra Zurita, Alma Pleasant and Margie Garrett, and Compton Community College District Trustee Dr. Deborah Sims LeBlanc. In recent weeks, Wesson’s bid to replace termed-out LA County Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas has garnered widespread support from key regional leaders, including Mayor Eric Garcetti and LA County Supervisor Janice Hahn.

In response to the news, *LA City Council President Herb Wesson* released the following statement:

“Locally elected leaders have a pulse on their city and neighborhoods. Their endorsements mean more than anything. That’s why I am thrilled to have earned support from Compton city councilmembers, school board members and community college trustees. Over the last several years, I’ve had the privilege to fight alongside these bold leaders and work to empower communities of color, improve our education system and lift up working families. I look forward to continuing to partner with them to help serve the residents of Compton as their next County Supervisor.”

Herb J. Wesson, Jr. served the 2nd Supervisorial District as Chief of Staff to legendary LA County Supervisor Yvonne Brathwaite Burke prior to his election to the State Assembly. Wesson then became only the 2nd African American in California history to serve as Speaker of the Assembly. Mr. Wesson was elected to the LA City Council in 2005 representing Council District 10 and has served as President of the City Council since

November 2011.

Wesson is the first African American to hold the position of Council President in the city's history and has been re-elected three times to lead the city's legislative body. During his tenure as Council President, Wesson has presided over monumental policy initiatives making Los Angeles a better place to live, work and raise a family. Not only have local policy initiatives — which include raising the minimum wage, pension reform and consolidating city elections to increase voter turnout — positively affected local residents, but in many cases, the city's actions have spurred state and national response and served as a model for similar policies.

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