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### HAHN THROWS SUPPORT BEHIND WESSON FOR LA COUNTY SUPERVISOR

*Herb Wesson's Momentum Continues with Endorsement from Key Los Angeles Leader*

**LOS ANGELES, CA** — Today, one of the most well respected local politicians in the region, LA County Supervisor Janice Hahn, endorsed LA City Council President Herb Wesson in his campaign to join the Board of Supervisors. This influential endorsement comes on the heels of Wesson's announcement that he raised over a half a million dollars in under two months. Wesson is running to replace termed-out LA County Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas in next year's open election.

**LA County Supervisor Janice Hahn** expressed her support for Wesson's bid to join her on the Board of Supervisors with the following statement:

"Herb Wesson's record of delivering real results that improve the lives of our diverse citizens is simply unmatched. He is a passionate and progressive leader standing up for our most vulnerable—our children, our seniors and veterans. I am particularly proud of Herb's fight to end homelessness and the housing crisis. He created the City's first ever Comprehensive Homelessness Strategy and spearheaded the initiative that will build two thousand units of affordable housing in South LA by the end of next year. Herb Wesson is the best choice for LA County Supervisor in District 2."

In response, **LA City Council President Herb Wesson** wrote:

"I am honored to receive the endorsement of Supervisor Janice Hahn. She has spent her life fighting for the children and families of Los Angeles and has made it a priority to reduce homelessness across the board by coordinating the County housing, mental health services and drug treatment programs. I hope to partner with her on the Board to ensure that all families are able to live in safe, affordable neighborhoods."

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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