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MOTION

Please schedule on  
Wednesday, November 23, 2011

I have been truly honored to serve as Council President for the past six years. During this time, my guiding principle in leading the Council has been to support its members in developing and implementing policy that moves our city toward a better future.

We have worked to make city government more transparent and we have expanded ways in which Angelenos can participate, including making it possible for the public to testify from Van Nuys and San Pedro locations and archiving city council meetings online.

Together, we have made tough decisions that will have lasting, positive impacts on our city, navigating difficult budget waters by enacting structural pension reforms and reducing personnel costs while protecting core city services.

We have increased accountability at the Department of Water and Power by forcing the department to be more transparent about its finances with an Office of Public Accountability and a Ratepayer Advocate established by a voter-approved ballot measure.

We created the nation's widest-reaching Green Building Ordinance, which requires large buildings to meet the U.S. Green Building Council's standards for environmental design.

We worked together to keep our police force strong and as a result our city has seen its lowest crime rate since the 1950s.

We put on the ballot a measure that voters passed to guarantee funding for our libraries.

We worked to ensure the city secured and implemented a plan to use federal economic recovery funds to create jobs and invest in communities.

We enacted business tax reform measures, including a tax holiday on new businesses, simplification of tax categories, and reconstituting the Business Tax Advisory Committee to recommend additional reforms.

We enacted a moratorium on foreclosure-related evictions to keep tenants in their homes and maintain the stability of our neighborhoods.

I THEREFORE MOVE that pursuant to the Rules of the Los Angeles City Council, I remove myself from the position of Council President effective January 2, 2012, and call for an election for the position of Council President and President Pro Tempore on Wednesday, November 23; and

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council elect Councilmember Herb Wesson as Council President and Ed Reyes as President Pro Tempore effective January 2, 2012.

PRESENTED BY: E. Garcetti  
ERIC GARCETTI  
Council President, 13<sup>th</sup> District

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Paul Krutz

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