City of Compton to Observe Public Works Week, May 17 – 23, 2009

Compton, May 8, 2009--On Tuesday, May 12, 2009, Compton’s mayor and city council will issue a proclamation of support for National Public Works Week May 17 through 23. It is a week that honors the employees who work tirelessly to maintain the excellent quality of life in Compton by taking care of the city’s infrastructure.

The public works employees are professionals who manage water, sewers, public transportation, and refuse removal systems. They also take care of Compton’s streets, public buildings, and park grounds. Their services are vital to the health, safety and comfort of Compton’s residents. They are members of the American Public Works Association (APWA), a professional organization that, each year, designates one week to recognize its members and educate communities about the importance of public works in maintaining a city.

The APWA has selected “Revitalize, Reinvest, Renew” as the theme for this year’s recognition activities. To help explain this theme and their work for the city, the Compton Public Works personnel is inviting the public to visit their display area in the lobby of Compton’s City Hall.

They will be in the lobby, from Monday, May 18 through Thursday, May 21, from 7:00 am to 6:00 pm to provide information and materials about the work they do. They --more--
also plan to present a slide show of the projects and major endeavors undertaken by their
department to benefit the residents of Compton. Everyone is invited to attend the
commemorative activities and learn how Public Works employees make life better for
everyone. Compton City Hall is located at 205 S. Willowbrook Ave., in Compton. The
public is invited to stop by and learn about how the Public Works personnel work for the
community. For further information, please call the Public Works Department at
310.605.5505.

Known as the “Hub City” because of its unique position in almost the exact geographical
center of Los Angeles County, Compton is strategically located along the Alameda Corridor,
a passageway of 25 percent of all U.S. waterborne international trade. Compton is rapidly
emerging as a large industrial center in Los Angeles County for transit, distribution, business
services, high technology, home and lifestyle products, metals, financial services, and textile
manufacturing.

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