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Statement from Compton Mayor Aja Brown on Kendrick Lamar Duckworth's GRAMMY Awards and Performance

COMPTON— The following statement is from Compton Mayor Aja Brown on Kendrick Lamar Duckworth's five wins at The 58th Annual GRAMMY Awards® including Best Rap Album, Best Rap Performance, Best Rap Song, Best Rap/Sung Collaboration and Best Music Video:

"On behalf of myself, the Compton City Council and the entire city of Compton, congratulations to Kendrick Lamar Duckworth on his five GRAMMY Awards.

As an artist, tonight Kendrick Lamar Duckworth displayed his depth of social consciousness and activism through his awe-inspiring Grammy performance—a performance that wasn't merely for entertainment, but that was strategically designed to send a strong message to this generation and our entire society. Mr. Duckworth once again boldly challenged us to continually rethink our society's institutions, specifically the need for change in our criminal justice system by highlighting the plight of African-American males and people of color.

When Kendrick Lamar Duckworth won tonight, Compton won. Mr. Duckworth's achievements further Compton's legacy of ingenuity and excellence. He represents Compton's evolution, embodying the New Vision for Compton—purpose, prosperity and progress. I appreciate—we appreciate Mr. Lamar always representing Compton with great pride in any venue he's in—from the White House to the GRAMMYS.

Congratulations Mr. Duckworth!"

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