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**JOINT STATEMENT BY CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT  
ERIC GARCETTI AND THE COALITION OF LA CITY UNIONS**

Los Angeles, CA - After working around the clock in a marathon session of the Los Angeles City Council, which was recessed overnight to continue discussions with the Coalition of LA City Unions, significant common ground was reached to protect City services and to save jobs.

While no agreement has been reached as of now, both sides are optimistic that together solutions can be found.

"We are very grateful to the City Council for providing the leadership that this City needs to move forward," said Cheryl Parisi, Chair of the Coalition of LA City Unions. "Today's progress shows the power of working together as unions, and the importance of working in collaboration with our City leaders. We will continue to work around the clock over the next several days to finalize an agreement that keeps City services whole while keeping employees working."

"We've worked around the clock to develop solutions to meet our budget gap while giving us the flexibility necessary in these tough economic times," said L.A. City Council President Eric Garcetti. "I want to acknowledge the Coalition Union leaders for their commitment to keeping this dialogue open and quickly moving towards a fiscally responsible agreement that will also save jobs and critical city services."

In addition, both sides agreed to move forward with contingency plans in the event that agreement cannot be reached. However, both sides remain optimistic that a resolution can be reached before those plans will need to be implemented.

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