

City of Philadelphia



Council of the City of Philadelphia
Office of the Chief Clerk
Room 402, City Hall
Philadelphia

(Resolution No. 130862)

RESOLUTION

Recognizing and Congratulating Linda Cliatt-Wayman for her dedication to and success within the School District of Philadelphia.

WHEREAS, Linda Cliatt-Wayman served as a classroom teacher in the School District of Philadelphia for twenty years; and

WHEREAS, In 2003, Linda Cliatt-Wayman became a coach for new teachers and then a principal within the School District of Philadelphia; and

WHEREAS, In 2005, Linda Cliatt-Wayman became the principal of Rhodes High School, where she is responsible for improving math and reading proficiency to above 50% as measured by the Pennsylvania System of School Assessment. Before Cliatt-Wayman's intervention, proficiency in math and reading was at 3% and 9%, respectively. She also secured a 94% college acceptance rate for students; and

WHEREAS, Linda Cliatt-Wayman went on to serve as assistant superintendent for high schools within the School District of Philadelphia between 2010 and 2012; and

WHEREAS, In 2013, Linda Cliatt-Wayman left her position as assistant superintendent to lead a merger of three Philadelphia high schools; and

WHEREAS, Linda Cliatt-Wayman became the principal of Strawberry Mansion High School, a public institution in North Philadelphia which has been on Pennsylvania's "Persistently Dangerous Schools" list for the past five years. Cliatt-Wayman volunteered to serve as principal of SMHS after she could not find someone suitable for the job; and

WHEREAS, As principal of SMHS, Linda Cliatt-Wayman succeeded in keeping the high school open in the midst of the city-wide education budget crisis. Further, she cut the number of violent incidents occurring at SMHS between students in half and produced a 60% college acceptance rate among graduating seniors; and

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WHEREAS, Through her work in Strawberry Mansion High School, Rhodes High School, and the School District of Philadelphia, Linda Cliatt-Wayman improved test scores and success rates among students, as well as improved the quality of life of students through her compassion and love; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That we recognize and congratulate Linda Cliatt-Wayman for her dedication to and success within the School District of Philadelphia.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Linda Cliatt-Wayman as evidence of the sincere sentiments of this legislative body.

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CERTIFICATION: This is a true and correct copy of the original Resolution, Adopted by the Council of the City of Philadelphia on the fourteenth day of November, 2013.

Darrell L. Clarke
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Michael A. Decker
CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmembers Reynolds Brown, Blackwell and Council President Clarke

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Reynolds Brown, Blackwell, Council President Clarke, Councilmembers Goode, Kenney, Johnson, Greenlee, Oh, Quiñones Sánchez, O'Brien, Bass and Jones