## **City of Philadelphia**



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

(Resolution No. 050522)

## RESOLUTION

The National Moment of Remembrance.

WHEREAS, Memorial Day has been officially celebrated in our Nation since May 1868 as a way of honoring and remembering the sacrifices of those brave men and women who gave their lives in service to our country; and

WHEREAS, Memorial Day is perhaps the most important American holiday. No other holidays would be possible without those who died for freedom since the founding of our Nation; and

WHEREAS, We seek to provide a sense of history to our citizens and ensure that younger generations understand the sacrifices made to preserve our liberties; and

WHEREAS, The White House Commission on Remembrance was established by Congress to reach Americans through the National Moment of Remembrance with one simple message — **Don't forget the real meaning of Memorial Day is to honor our fallen;** and

WHEREAS, The National Moment of Remembrance does not replace traditional Memorial Day events; rather it is an act of national unity in honor of our fallen. In this shared remembrance, we connect as Americans; and

WHEREAS, The National Moment of Remembrance should be observed citywide on Memorial Day, the Moment is to encourage all citizens of Philadelphia to pause in honor of our fallen. It is a time of remembrance and rededication to the values of our country; and

WHEREAS, I call upon the departments and agencies of Philadelphia to promote this nationwide Memorial Day tribute; now therefore

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA that Memorial Day, May 30, 2005 be proclaimed as a day for all to participate in the National Moment of Remembrance and designate 3 p.m., wherever you are, as a time to pause and unite in remembrance. For all the fallen, let us make this Nation one.

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RESOLUTION NO. 050522 continued

CERTIFICATION: This is a true and correct copy of the original Resolution, Adopted by the Council of the City of Philadelphia on the twenty-sixth of May, 2005.

> Anna C. Verna PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Patricia Rafferty CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

- Introduced by: Councilmembers Miller and Mariano
- Sponsored by: Councilmembers Miller, Mariano, Goode, Reynolds Brown, Council President Verna, Councilmembers DiCicco, Rizzo, Nutter and Tasco