

City of Philadelphia



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

(Resolution No. 060596)

RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter creating a Youth Commission and providing for the submission of the amendment to the electors of Philadelphia.

WHEREAS, Under Section 6 of the First Class City Home Rule Act (53 P.S. §13106), an amendment to the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter may be proposed by a resolution of the Council of the City of Philadelphia adopted with the concurrence of two-thirds of its elected members; now, therefore,

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA,

SECTION 1. That the following amendment to the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter is hereby proposed and shall be submitted to the electors of the City on an election date designated by ordinance:

ARTICLE III - EXECUTIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE BRANCH - ORGANIZATION

CHAPTER 1 OFFICERS, DEPARTMENTS, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND OTHER AGENCIES

§3-100. Executive and Administrative Officers, Departments, Boards, Commissions and Agencies Designated. The executive and administrative work of the City shall be performed by:

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(e) The following independent boards and commissions, which, except for the Board of Trustees of the Free Library of Philadelphia, are hereby created:

City Planning Commission;
Commission on Human Relations;
Board of Trustees of the Free Library of Philadelphia;
Board of Pensions and Retirement;
Civil Service Commission;
Philadelphia Tax Reform Commission and its Advisory Committee;
Board of Ethics[.] ;

Youth Commission.

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CHAPTER 8 INDEPENDENT BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

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§ 3-807. *Youth Commission. The Youth Commission is hereby established.*

(a) *Composition. The Commission shall be composed of twenty-one (21) members, each of whom shall be between the ages of twelve (12) and twenty-three (23) years of age, at the time of appointment. The Commission shall consist of individuals who have an understanding of the needs of young people in the City, or experience with children, youth programs, youth organizations or involvement with school or youth related community activities. The members shall represent the racial, gender, ethnic and cultural diversity of the City and shall be residents of the City.*

(b) *Appointments and Terms of Service. Each member of the Council and the Mayor shall appoint one (1) member to the Commission. The Mayor shall also appoint three (3) additional members from communities underrepresented by the other appointments made, to ensure that the Commission represents the diversity of the City. Commission members shall serve at the pleasure of their appointing authorities. Initial appointments shall be made promptly after the organization of the Council on the first Monday of January, 2008. The first term for all Commission members shall end on March 1, 2009 and thereafter shall be for one (1) year.*

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(c) *Removal of Members.* Any member whom the Commission certifies to have missed three (3) regularly scheduled meetings of the Commission in any six (6) month period, without prior authorization of the Commission, shall be deemed to have resigned from the Commission effective on the date of the written certification from the Commission.

(d) *Compensation.* Members of the Commission shall not be compensated.

(e) *Meetings.* The Commission shall conduct regular meetings at least once a month at a designated time and place, shall prepare and maintain permanent minutes of the actions taken during its meetings, and shall file copies of such minutes with the chief clerk of the Council.

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ARTICLE IV EXECUTIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE BRANCH POWERS AND DUTIES

The Mayor, The City Representative and Departments, Boards and Commissions under
the Mayor

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CHAPTER 12

YOUTH COMMISSION

§ 4-1200. *Powers and Duties.*

(a) *The Youth Commission shall advise and comment to the Council, the Mayor, agencies and departments of the City on proposed ordinances, other legislative matters and policies which are of concern to the children and youth of the City and shall exercise such other powers and duties that Council may, from time to time, vest in it by ordinance.*

(b) *The Commission shall prepare an annual report on its activities, goals, and accomplishments and shall file this report with the chief clerk of the Council before March 31 of each year.*

Explanation:

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted.

Italics indicate new matter added.

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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 of December, 2006.

Anna C. Verna
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Patricia Rafferty
CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmembers Reynolds Brown and Goode

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Reynolds Brown, Goode, Council President Verna, Councilmembers Krajewski and Rizzo