

City of Philadelphia



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

(Resolution No. 070919)

RESOLUTION

Honoring the Sistahs of the Million Woman March.

WHEREAS, An estimated 2.5 million African-American women gathered in Philadelphia on Saturday, October 25, 1997, as they marched down the Benjamin Franklin Parkway to bring attention to family and community. The mission to advocate for the inclusion, equity and empowerment of African-American women and girls, to promote a positive awareness of African history and culture, to develop knowledge of political and economic forces and their impact on their families; and

WHEREAS, The Sistahs of the Million Woman March, a grass-roots effort spearheaded by a few determined African-American women from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, In spite of overwhelming challenges that worked against the success of organizing such a massive endeavor, the Million Woman March was a resounding success; and

WHEREAS, The Million Woman March received widespread acclaim received national and international attention focused on the city of Philadelphia, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and African-American women as a whole; and

WHEREAS, Society as a whole benefits when women from all across the world unite to show unity, understanding and womanship; and

WHEREAS, That the City of Philadelphia this day honors the Sistahs of the Million Woman March; and

WHEREAS, The historic Million Woman March is a reflection of the ongoing commitment of African-American women to their individual responsibilities, both in their own families and throughout the world; and

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WHEREAS, The historic March was a reflection of the ongoing commitment of African-American woman to their individual responsibilities, both in their own families and through the world; now therefore

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That the organizers, of the Sistahs of the Million Woman March be commended for a job well done and for showing the world that when Woman put their minds to it, there is nothing that they cannot accomplish.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the Sistahs of the Million Woman March.

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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 twenty-fifth October, 2007.

Anna C. Verna
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Patricia Rafferty
CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmember Miller

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Miller, Goode, Savage, Reynolds Brown, Rizzo, Ramos, Blackwell, Tasco, Campbell, Greenlee, Krajewski, O'Neill, Kelly, Kenney, Council President Verna, Councilmembers Clarke and DiCicco