

# City of Philadelphia



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

(Resolution No. 070055)

## RESOLUTION

Recognizing February 11<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> as Black Family Technology Awareness Week.

WHEREAS, The Workforce 2000 Initiative will be coordinating activities citywide for the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual National Black Family Technology Awareness Week, Sunday, February 11, 2007 to Saturday, February 17, 2007; and

WHEREAS, The purpose of Black Family Technology Awareness Week is to change how African Americans perceive Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM); and recognize that vigilance, education and exposure are necessary to insure Digital Equity and that African Americans are able to qualify, compete and participate in today's Knowledge Economy; and

WHEREAS, Data from the U.S. Department of Commerce NTIA Report entitled "Digital Divide" show that even though all racial groups now own more computers than they did in 2001, Blacks and Hispanics still lag even further behind in the levels of PC ownership and on-line access; and

WHEREAS, Now, more than ever, as Philadelphia becomes the first major city to go wireless, and increases e-government, we need to expand awareness about the opportunities that exist in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math related industries and jobs; and

WHEREAS, That during Black Family Technology Awareness Week, events will take place throughout Philadelphia to disseminate information and help African Americans understand the many ways in which technology will continue to have a major impact on how they learn, work, live, and play; as well as understand the contributions they have made thereto; now therefore

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That we recognize February 11<sup>th</sup> through February 17<sup>th</sup> as Black Family Technology Awareness Week.

# City of Philadelphia

*RESOLUTION NO. 070055 continued*

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this resolution is presented to representatives of The Workforce 2000 Initiative as an expression of appreciation of this legislative body.

# City of Philadelphia

*RESOLUTION NO. 070055 continued*

# City of Philadelphia

*RESOLUTION NO. 070055 continued*

CERTIFICATION: This is a true and correct copy of the original Resolution, Adopted by the Council of the City of Philadelphia on the first of February, 2007.

Anna C. Verna  
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Patricia Rafferty  
CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmember Tasco

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