

# City of Philadelphia



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

(Resolution No. 080286)

## RESOLUTION

Recognizing the Important Work of the Child Care Facilities Fund.

**WHEREAS**, High quality child care is an essential educational support to Philadelphia's 111,000 children from birth to age five, improving their chances to succeed academically, graduate from high school, and become productive and responsible citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, Child care is an essential support for Philadelphia's parents, enabling them to pursue activities that strengthen their families' economic security with the assurance that their children are being cared for in safe and healthy environments; and

**WHEREAS**, Many child care programs are not fully able to invest the total funds necessary to make the major repairs and facility improvements that are required to continue eligibility for state licensing and other state and federal support as well as safer and better environment for the children in their care; and

**WHEREAS**, The Child Care Facilities Fund was created with a \$5 million investment from the City of Philadelphia in 2003 to improve child care quality by providing grants, loans and technical assistance to child care programs in Southeastern Pennsylvania; and

**WHEREAS**, Under the management of the Non-Profit Finance Fund it has leveraged more than \$7 million in state and private contributions enabling over 400 child care providers serving 14,000 children to make needed repairs and improvements and become eligible for licensing and quality incentives, including additional state and federal support; and

**WHEREAS**, Research continues to prove that investing in high quality child care has an excellent return to the educational, social and economic aspects of a community; and

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**WHEREAS**, Strengthening the child care industry is an important part of the City's economic development through affording working parents child care as well as providing jobs and small business viability; and

**WHEREAS**, The City Council of Philadelphia strongly supports high quality child care for all of the City's children and families and recognizes the important role that the Child Care Facilities Fund plays in the delivery of such; now therefore

**RESOLVED, THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA**, Declares and recognizes that the Child Care Facilities Fund is an important component to the City's child care industry and hereby recognizes the important work of the Child Care Facilities Fund.

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, That an Engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the representatives of the Child Care Facilities Fund as a sincere expression of this Council's commendation.

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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 thirteenth of March, 2008.

Anna C. Verna  
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Patricia Rafferty  
CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmembers Tasco and Reynolds Brown

Sponsored by: Council President Verna, Councilmembers Tasco, Reynolds Brown, Kenney, Rizzo, Greenlee, Sanchez, Jones, Miller, Clarke, Blackwell, Goode, Green, Kelly and DiCicco