

# City of Philadelphia



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

(Resolution No. 120086)

## RESOLUTION

Honoring and congratulating Captain William V. Fisher on the occasion of his retirement from the Philadelphia Police Department.

WHEREAS, The Council of the City of Philadelphia is pleased and proud to join with the Philadelphia Police Department, family and friends in honoring and congratulating Captain William V. Fisher on the great occasion of his retirement following 36 years of dedicated service to the Police Department and the citizens of Philadelphia; and

WHEREAS, Captain Fisher is a life long resident of the City of Philadelphia. He graduated from Roman Catholic High School in 1964, and served honorably in the United States Army from 1966 to 1968. In 1971, Captain Fisher enrolled at the University of Notre Dame and received a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in 1975; and

WHEREAS, Captain Fisher began his career with the Philadelphia Police Department in 1976, and was assigned to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Police District. In 1981, he was promoted to Corporal, assigned to the 19<sup>th</sup> District. During his tenure, he received numerous promotions, including Detective at the then West Detective Division, Sergeant in the 12<sup>th</sup> District and the Evidence Room, and then as Lieutenant where he worked at Internal Affairs, Tactical Response Teams and Management Review from 1986 to 1991. In 1991, Captain Fisher was promoted to Captain and was given command of the Narcotics Unit. He was assigned there until 1996, when he was transferred to the 4<sup>th</sup> District; and

WHEREAS, On June 1, 1998, the first day of the 40-day SEPTA Strike, Captain Fisher was assigned to the Civil Affairs Unit. Since then, his assignments have included, the 2000 Republican National Convention, the 2008 National Governors' Convention, the 2010 Temple Nurses Strike, the 2011 Verizon Strike, various anti-war demonstrations and literally hundreds of other demonstrations that have taken place in the City of Philadelphia. During Occupy Philadelphia, Captain Fisher was busy for more than 55 days; and

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WHEREAS, In accordance with Directive 70, The Civil Affairs Unit is responsible for the policing of all demonstrations, protest marches, labor-management disputes and picketing Citywide. Captain Fisher ensures that this takes place on a daily basis. He continually ensures that the preservation of peace and order, prevention of property destruction and the protection of the lives and the Constitutional Rights of all involved parties is maintained; and

WHEREAS, Captain Fisher is an effective liaison with civic, labor and protest group leaders by maintaining an on-going and open dialogue prior to, during, and following any events which have impact on the City. During demonstrations, labor disputes and any acts of civil disobedience, Captain Fisher and members of the Civil Affairs Unit make all reasonable efforts to employ non-arrest methods as the primary means to adjudicate any situation; now therefore

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That we recognize and honor Captain William V. Fisher on the occasion of his retirement after thirty-six years of outstanding service to the Police Department and the citizens of Philadelphia. Throughout his time with the Police Department, Captain Fisher has gained the admiration and respect of his fellow officers, peers, and supervisors, and he has exemplified the Philadelphia Police Department's motto of "Honor, Integrity, and Service." We extend to him the sincere respect and admiration of this legislative body, and wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Captain William V. Fisher as evidence of the sincere sentiment of this legislative body.

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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 ninth of February, 2012.

Darrell L. Clarke  
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Michael A. Decker  
CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmembers Kenney and Greenlee

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Kenney, Greenlee, Blackwell, Squilla,  
Johnson, Goode, Jones, Henon and O'Brien