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**Councilmember Bass
for
Council President Clarke, Councilmembers Squilla, Parker and Jones**

**Referred to the
Committee on Public Health and Human Services**

AN ORDINANCE

Amending Chapter 6-200 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Preventative Medicine," by adding a new section offering vouchers for rebates on City gas and water charges to citizens and property owners of Philadelphia who received vaccinations for COVID-19 in order to incentivize immunizations against the disease; all under certain terms and conditions.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 6-200 of The Philadelphia Code is hereby amended to add a new Section as follows:

CHAPTER 6-200. PREVENTATIVE MEDICINE.

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§ 6-216. COVID-19 Vaccination Rebate Voucher Program.

(1) In order to ensure the health and well being of the residents of Philadelphia during the COVID-19 pandemic, the Department of Public Health shall establish a program, in conjunction with the Department of Revenue, the Gas Works, and the Water Department to incentivize residents and property owners of Philadelphia to receive COVID-19 vaccinations. The program shall, at a minimum, include the following:

(a) Vouchers in the amount of \$50 redeemable for credit with the Gas Works or Water Department, provided that the City shall reimburse the Gas Works and Water Department in an amount equal to 100 percent of the vouchers redeemed;

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(b) *Forms for residents and property owners of Philadelphia to verify residency and COVID-19 vaccination status; and*

(c) *System for the Water Department and the Gas Works to credit the holders' respective account in the amount of the voucher.*

(2) *No person shall receive more than one voucher under this section and the credit amount shall not exceed \$50 per person. Immunizations must have occurred on or after the date of enactment of this section.*

(3) *The total number of vouchers issued shall be capped at 100,000. The vouchers shall be issued on a first come, first served basis.*

SECTION 2. This Section shall sunset one year from enactment.

Explanation:

Italics indicate new matter added.