

City of Philadelphia



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

(Resolution No. 130785)

RESOLUTION

Recognizing October 2013 as Dyslexia Awareness Month in honor of the individuals living with Dyslexia.

WHEREAS, Dyslexia is a reading disability that affects one's ability to quickly and accurately decode words, spell correctly and comprehend text; and

WHEREAS, Dyslexia affects one in five individuals, that is 60 million individuals in the United States are living with Dyslexia; and

WHEREAS, The signs of Dyslexia can be seen during early childhood when a child demonstrates persistent baby talk, has trouble rhyming and recognizing letters; and

WHEREAS, Dyslexia can be diagnosed as early as kindergarten when a child struggles with letter/sound recognition, has inability to read simple one syllable words, and complains about reading; and

WHEREAS, Individuals with Dyslexia have average to above average intelligence and those living with Dyslexia simply learn differently and in fact have a host of cognitive and emotional strengths; and

WHEREAS, When Dyslexia goes undiagnosed, children and adults often feel frustrated, have low self-esteem, are at risk for dropping out of school and becoming involved in the criminal justice system, and may not achieve their full potential in all aspects of their lives; and

WHEREAS, Early identification and intervention can produce remarkable outcomes and enhance one's ability to perform successfully in academic settings as well as in their personal life; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That we hereby recognize October 2013 as Dyslexia Awareness Month in honor of the individuals living with Dyslexia.

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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-fourth of October, 2013.

Darrell L. Clarke
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Michael A. Decker
CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmember O'Brien

Sponsored by: Councilmembers O'Brien, Blackwell, Kenney, Greenlee, Goode, Oh, Green, Reynolds Brown, Bass, Council President Clarke, Councilmembers Jones, O'Neill and Henon