

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

(Resolution No. 080810)

#### RESOLUTION

Proclaiming October 2008 as "National Breast Cancer Awareness Month" and supporting the numerous activities recognizing this effort around the country.

WHEREAS, For more than 20 years, National Breast Cancer Awareness Month has educated women about early breast cancer detection, diagnosis and treatment; and

WHEREAS, In recognition of this important milestone, on May 17<sup>th</sup> in New York, The National Breast Cancer Awareness Month Board of Sponsors held a national summit bringing together leaders who have made significant contributions to the fight against this devastating disease; and

WHEREAS, The earlier that breast cancer is found, the more likely it is that treatment can be curable and that mammograms are the best screening for early detection of breast cancer; and

WHEREAS, Across the nation, the third Friday in October each year is National Mammography Day, which was first proclaimed by President Clinton in 1993; and

WHEREAS, On this day, or throughout the month of October, radiologists provide discounted or free screening mammograms; and

WHEREAS, Mammography screenings are a woman's best chance for detecting breast cancer early and when coupled with new treatment options, mammography screenings can significantly improve a woman's chances of survival; and

WHEREAS, In an effort to further increase National Breast Cancer Awareness Month impact, they are seeking to take their activities to the next level - encouraging all women to take charge of their own breast health; whether it includes practicing regular self-breast exams or making sure to schedule an annual mammogram, every little bit counts; and

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WHEREAS, Women, public officials and advocates continue the crusade for increased federal research and medical funding for breast cancer, the designation of National Breast Cancer Awareness will bring attention to the need for additional funding for research of a cure; now therefore

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That October 2008 is recognized as "National Breast Cancer Awareness Month."

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this resolution is presented to Police Officer Kim Byrd as evidence of the sincere appreciation and support 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 twenty-third of October, 2008.

Anna C. Verna
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Patricia Rafferty
CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmembers Miller, Krajewski, Reynolds Brown, Council

President Verna, Councilmembers Blackwell, Tasco and

Sanchez

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Miller, Krajewski, Reynolds Brown, Council

President Verna, Councilmembers Blackwell, Tasco, Sanchez, Greenlee, Jones, Goode, Kenney, Rizzo, Green, Clarke,

O'Neill, Kelly and DiCicco