

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

(Resolution No. 010074)

#### RESOLUTION

Declaring March as "Save Your Vision Month."

WHEREAS, "Save Your Vision Month," is a national event sponsored annually in March by the American Optometric Association; and

WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania College of Optometry is a major sponsor of "Save Your Vision Month" in the Delaware Valley; and

WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania College of Optometry is celebrating: "Save Your Vision Month" with a vision health public awareness campaign with the theme "On the Lookout: Your Profession and Pastimes May Be Damaging to Your Eyes"; and

WHEREAS, The official 2001 "Save Your Vision" campaign kickoff in City Council will launch a series of free vision screenings at Day Care Centers, Regional Library Branches, Senior Citizen Centers and residential complexes; and

WHEREAS, The College of Optometry hopes that the public awareness campaign will encourage families and employers to develop a greater understanding of the important role vision plays in both the workplace and home; and

WHEREAS, Vision withstands varying degrees of stress and is placed at risk by certain daily activities both in the home and the workplace; and

WHEREAS, These stressors and hazards can be identified and minimized through education and regular eye screenings and vision care services; and

WHEREAS, Resources are available for patients through the services of the Eye Institute of the Pennsylvania College of Optometry; and

WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania College of Optometry is also participating in Vision USA, a national effort to provide free eye examinations for working persons with

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no health insurance who have not had an eye examination in the last twelve months; now therefore

RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA declare and celebrate March as "Save Your Vision Month" and encourage and support "On the Lookout: Your Profession and Pastimes May Be Damaging Your Eyes."

RESOLVED FURTHER, That an Engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to a representative of The Pennsylvania College of Optometry, sincere expression of the Council's gratitude, appreciation and commendation for sponsoring and organizing free vision screenings throughout Philadelphia during "Save Your Vision Month."

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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 first of February, 2001.

> Anna C. Verna PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Patricia Rafferty CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

- Introduced by: Councilmembers Tasco and Mariano
- Sponsored by: Councilmembers Rizzo, Miller, Clarke, Nutter, Reynolds Brown, Goode, DiCicco, Ortiz, Cohen, Kenney, Blackwell and Longstreth

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