

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

(Resolution No. 050770)

#### RESOLUTION

Commending Richard L. Lombardo for His Thirty-Five Years of Service to the City of Philadelphia.

**WHEREAS**, Richard Lombardo joined the staff of the Philadelphia City Planning Commission in 1970; and

**WHEREAS**, From 1982 to 2001, Rich was Director of the Development Planning and Zoning Division. In this capacity, Rich was responsible for reviewing all development projects throughout the City and for formulating the Planning Commission's recommendations on all zoning legislation, property measures and street ordinances; and

**WHEREAS**, For twenty years, his duties included testifying before various City Council committees on legislation where he worked closely with members of City Council on land use, zoning and development-related legislation; and

**WHEREAS**, From 2001 until 2005, Rich served as the Deputy Executive Director of the agency and was responsible for directing Planning Commission staff in major urban planning work, as well as, providing oversight of the agency's performance and budget; and

**WHEREAS**, In May of 2005, Mr. Lombardo was named Secretary for Strategic Planning and Executive Director of the Planning Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, Throughout his tenure, Rich has spearheaded major land use planning and zoning initiatives which have transformed and will continue to revitalize many of the City's neighborhoods, including: the development of legislative controls on Regulated Uses; a comprehensive ordinance on Outdoor Advertising; the re-writing of Center City zoning and land use controls; and, various neighborhood and business-related zoning "overlays;" and

**WHEREAS**, He directed a planning effort in Manayunk for the development of the riverfront, Venice Island and the Main Street commercial corridor; and he recently

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completed a similar planning effort for the East Falls community, and was instrumental in the planning for the North Delaware riverfront; and

WHEREAS, Rich Lombardo has been a truly dedicated public servant over his thirty-five years of service, providing guidance and direction on zoning and urban planning, working to balance interests of growth and preservation, and seeking to revitalize our communities by helping citizens craft a vision for their neighborhood; now therefore

**RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA**, That we hereby commend Richard L. Lombardo for his thirty-five years of service to the City of Philadelphia.

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, That an Engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Richard L. Lombardo as an expression of the sincere sentiments of this legislative body for his commitment to the citizens and neighborhoods of our City.

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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 fifteenth of September, 2005.

> Anna C. Verna PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Patricia Rafferty CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

- Introduced by: Councilmembers Nutter and DiCicco
- Sponsored by: Councilmembers Nutter, DiCicco, Goode, Council President Verna, Councilmembers Miller, O'Neill, Mariano, Rizzo, Reynolds Brown, Kenney, Krajewski, Tasco, Ramos, Kelly, Cohen, Clarke and Blackwell