

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

(Resolution No. 070809)

RESOLUTION

Authorizing City Council's Committee on Technology and Information Services to hold hearings on implementing a Geographic Information System to combat graffiti.

WHEREAS, Graffiti is a continuing problem in the City of Philadelphia, causing harm to property owners and detracting from the quality of life in our neighborhoods, industrial and business districts, schools and transportation facilities; and

WHEREAS, Graffiti Web Services is a Geographic Information System which integrates data from the local government, schools and civic associations to help law enforcement personnel identify trends of graffiti violators and assist in their apprehension and conviction; and

WHEREAS, Graffiti Web Services assists government to view and summarize graffiti removal costs to report on and recoup these costs; and

WHEREAS, At least 17 jurisdictions have implemented Graffiti Web Services; and

WHEREAS, The City of Phoenix has achieved national recognition for its "Graffiti Busters" program, which uses Graffiti Web Services to detect violators and implement a zero tolerance policy towards graffiti; now therefore

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RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That authority is given to the Committee on Technology and Information Services to conduct hearings on implementing a Geographic Information System to combat graffiti.

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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-seventh of September, 2007.

Anna C. Verna
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Patricia Rafferty
CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmember O'Neill

Sponsored by: Councilmembers O'Neill, Miller, Kelly, Greenlee, Blackwell,

Reynolds Brown, Goode, Savage, DiCicco, Tasco, Council President Verna, Councilmembers Rizzo, Kenney, Krajewski,

Campbell, Ramos and Clarke