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

(Resolution No. 250883)

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Recognizing the 125th anniversary of Corinthian Baptist Church of Germantown, a pillar of faith, service and community.

WHEREAS, Corinthian Baptist Church of Germantown, Pennsylvania, was founded in 1900, originating as a church school at the residence of Sophie Moore and Mae Moore Kennerly and initially known as Mt. Beulah Baptist Mission; and

WHEREAS, Under the spiritual guidance of leaders such as Reverend James D. Brooks, Reverend Morton Winston, and subsequent pastors, the church evolved from the East Side Mission to become the beloved Corinthian Baptist Church, affectionately known as the "Little Blue Church on the Hill"; and

WHEREAS, On June 13, 1916, the Corinthian Baptist Church of Germantown was officially incorporated, with seven charter members laying a strong foundation for the church's growth and community impact; and

WHEREAS, Corinthian Baptist Church has consistently been a beacon of hope and support in the Germantown community, providing vital outreach programs such as food banks, youth mentorship, education initiatives, and social services that uplift and empower residents; and

WHEREAS, Through decades of steadfast faith and resilience, Corinthian Baptist Church expanded its facilities, ministries, and outreach, including the construction of multiple church buildings, establishment of educational programs such as the Corinthian Christian Academy, and development of numerous ministries serving youth, music, missions, and community needs; and

WHEREAS, Corinthian Baptist Church has been a spiritual home and cornerstone of the Germantown community for 125 years, fostering generations of worshippers, leaders, and community advocates committed to faith, unity, and service; and

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WHEREAS, The church has hosted and been led by distinguished pastors and ministers who have enriched not only the congregation but the broader Philadelphia region, including Reverend C.L. Pryor, Reverend Dr. Ronald King Hill, Sr., and Reverend Robert L. Solomon, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, Corinthian Baptist Church's legacy includes a rich tradition of musical ministry, youth engagement, community outreach, and spiritual education that has positively impacted countless lives throughout its history; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA recognizes and congratulates Corinthian Baptist Church of Germantown on its 125th anniversary, commending its enduring legacy and praying for its continued growth and blessings in the years ahead.

FUTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this Resolution be presented to Corinthian Baptist Church in recognition of 125 years of faithful service, dedication to God, and commitment to uplifting the community.

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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 ninth day of October, 2025.

Kenyatta Johnson
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Elizabeth McCollum
CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmember Bass

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Bass, Phillips, Gilmore Richardson, Gauthier,

Thomas, Jones, Landau, Lozada, Young, Brooks, Harrity,

O'Rourke, Driscoll, O'Neill, Squilla and Ahmad