

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

(Resolution No. 110280)

#### RESOLUTION

Proclaiming The Week of April 10<sup>th</sup> 2011 as "National Crime Victims' Rights Week."

The City Council of Philadelphia designates the Week of April 10<sup>th</sup> 2011 as "National Crime Victims' Rights Week" in Philadelphia and encourages that all communities throughout the City honor victims of crime and the people who help them rebuild their lives.

WHEREAS, The Office for Victims of Crime was established by the 1984 Victims of Crime Act to oversee diverse programs that benefit victims of crime; and

WHEREAS, Each April since 1981, Office for Victims of Crime has helped lead communities throughout the country in their observances of National Crime Victims' Rights Week; and

WHEREAS, Office for Victims of Crime provides substantial <u>funding</u> to <u>state victim</u> <u>assistance and compensation programs</u>—the lifeline services that help victims to heal; and

WHEREAS, The agency supports <u>trainings</u> designed to educate criminal justice and allied professionals regarding the rights and needs of crime victims; and

WHEREAS, The Office for Victims of Crime released an online database that includes more than 15,000 victims' rights statutes (state and federal), tribal laws, constitutional amendments, court rules, and administrative code provisions—developed by the National Center for Victims of Crime with funding from The Office for Victims of Crime; and

WHEREAS, Rallies, candlelight vigils, and a host of commemorative activities are held each year to promote victims' rights and to honor crime victims and those who advocate on their behalf; and

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WHEREAS, For more information and to sign up for The National Observance and Candlelight Ceremony or The National Crime Victims' Service Awards Ceremony, visit the Office of Justice Program's website at www.ncvrw.org.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF PHILADELPHIA, That the Week of April 10<sup>th</sup> 2011 be designated as "National Crime Victims' Rights Week" in Philadelphia and encourages that all communities throughout the City honor victims of crime and the people who help them rebuild their lives.



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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-eighth of April, 2011.

Anna C. Verna
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Michael A. Decker CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmember Miller

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Miller, Green, Kenney, Jones, Reynolds

Brown, Goode, Blackwell, DiCicco, Greenlee, Council President Verna, Councilmembers Krajewski, O'Neill, Rizzo,

Sanchez, Tasco and Kelly