

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

(Resolution No. 060251)

RESOLUTION

Recognizing the Heroic Efforts of William and Carole Py in Raising Their Three Orphaned Grandchildren and Commending ABC's "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition" for Giving the Py Grandparents a New House and Commending Drexel University for Committing College Scholarships to the Py Grandchildren.

WHEREAS, In July 1997, Jose Rosario lost his life to a brain aneurysm; and

WHEREAS, In November 1998, Sandra Py Rosario lost her life to breast cancer; and

WHEREAS, Jose and Sandra were survived by their three small children William, Samantha and Jose; and

WHEREAS, William and Carole Py, after raising four children of their own and putting them through college, accepted the responsibility of raising their three grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, William and Carole Py later discovered that their house was plagued by asbestos and lead problems; and

WHEREAS, On March 22, 2006, William and Carole Py were informed by the design team of ABC's "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition" that they were selected from among thousands of applicants to receive a new single-family home located in the Northeast section of Philadelphia; and

WHEREAS, We commend ABC's "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition" for selecting the Py family for the generous gift of a new home; and

WHEREAS, Drexel University has added to the Py's good fortune by committing college scholarships to the Py grandchildren should they attend Drexel University; and

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WHEREAS, We commend Drexel for its thoughtful and generous commitment; now therefore

RESOLVED, THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, Recognizes the heroic efforts of William and Carol for raising their three orphaned grandchildren; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, Commends ABC's "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition" for giving the Py family a new home and commending Drexel University for committing college scholarships to the Py grandchildren.

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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 thirtieth of March, 2006.

Anna C. Verna
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Patricia Rafferty
CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmembers O'Neill and Blackwell

Sponsored by: Councilmembers O'Neill, Blackwell, Clarke, Reynolds Brown,

Council President Verna, Councilmembers DiCicco, Goode, Krajewski, Rizzo, Miller, Kelly, Kenney, Nutter, Tasco and

Ramos