

# City of Philadelphia



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

(Resolution No. 100507)

## RESOLUTION

Recognizing, Honoring, And Celebrating The Judicial Intern Opportunity Program—For Their Efforts in Providing Opportunities For Those Who Are Traditionally Underrepresented In The Legal Profession.

**WHEREAS**, The Judicial Intern Opportunity Program (JOIP) is a program that places minority law students in summer intern positions with the judiciary for ten years now; and

**WHEREAS**, Lawrence J. Fox, a partner with Drinker Biddle & Reath has been trying to bring the program to Philadelphia for at least the last five of those ten years; and

**WHEREAS**, Thanks to the efforts of Mr. Fox and all those who contributed, the Judicial Intern Opportunity Program will be entering Philadelphia for the first time this year; and

**WHEREAS**, There are a total of 13 judges from across the Eastern District, Philadelphia Common Pleas and Eastern District Bankruptcy Courts that have signed to take 17 full time judicial interns; and

**WHEREAS**, The program will run for at least 6 weeks this summer and the students will be paid a \$1,500 stipend in order to defray the costs of transportation and other expenses; and

**WHEREAS**, The Judicial Intern Opportunity Program places about 200 students across the country each year from Los Angeles, Illinois, Texas, Miami, Phoenix, San Francisco, Washington, D.C. and now Philadelphia; and

**WHEREAS**, The addition of the minority program will not take away any spots from other cities because Philadelphia gained its spots and raised the necessary funding independent of the current program; and

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**WHEREAS**, The Judicial Intern Opportunity Program is open to all first or second year minority and/or financially disadvantaged law students who want to do legal research and writing for state and federal judges; and

**WHEREAS**, When the Philadelphia judicial interns are finished, they will join a class of more than 1,000 alumni of The Judicial Intern Opportunity Program; now therefore

**RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA**, That City Council Hereby Recognize, Honor, And Celebrate The Judicial Intern Opportunity Program—For Their Efforts in Providing Opportunities For Those Who Are Traditionally Underrepresented In The Legal Profession.

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, That an Engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Lawrence J. Fox, Esquire as further evidencing the sincere admiration and gratitude of this legislative body.

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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 seventeenth of June, 2010.

Anna C. Verna  
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Michael A. Decker  
CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmembers Miller, Tasco and Reynolds Brown

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Miller, Tasco, Reynolds Brown, Goode, Green, Sanchez, Greenlee, DiCicco, Kenney, Rizzo, Jones, Kelly, O'Neill, Blackwell, Council President Verna and Councilmember Krajewski