

City of Philadelphia



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

(Resolution No. 000801)

RESOLUTION

Honoring Canine Partners for Life for their work in assisting people with disabilities to maintain independence and encouraging business owners to recognize the necessity to accommodate individuals with disabilities and their service animals.

WHEREAS, Canine Partners for Life was formed to increase the independence and quality of life of people with mobility impairments by providing professionally trained service dogs and support services; and

WHEREAS, Canine Partners for Life places service dogs to assist individuals with mobility impairments, service dogs that focus on seizure alert assistance, home companion dogs, and residential community companion dogs; and

WHEREAS, service dogs dramatically reduce the number of paid and unpaid assistance hours needed from others due to the 24 hour assistance that service dogs can provide; and

WHEREAS, service dogs can assist an individual with a disability with a myriad of tasks including retrieval of items, placing and removing items of clothing on an individual and opening doors; and

WHEREAS, by assisting an individual with many physical tasks, service dogs make it possible to achieve greater independence; and

WHEREAS, doctors, veterinarians and physical therapists recognize that the need for service dogs for people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, under federal and state legislation individuals who utilize service dogs are protected against discrimination; and

WHEREAS, Canine Partners for Life through its community education program educates thousands of individuals annually in disability awareness and the vital role that service dogs play in the lives of people with disabilities; now therefore be it

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RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That we honor Canine Partners for Life for their work in assisting people with disabilities in maintaining their independence; and be it further

RESOLVED FURTHER, That we encourage businesses and places of public accommodation to recognize the necessity of allowing access to people with disabilities and their service animals to their places of business; and be it further

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to representatives of Canine Partners for Life as evidence of the sincere respect and deep admiration 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 fourteenth of December, 2000.

Anna C. Verna
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Patricia Rafferty
CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmember Blackwell for Councilmember Mariano

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Blackwell, Reynolds Brown, Rizzo, Krajewski, DiCicco, Kenney, Clarke, Tasco, Cohen, Nutter, Ortiz, Goode, Longstreth and O'Neill

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