



City of Philadelphia

City Council
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RESOLUTION NO. 160285

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RESOLUTION

Also naming the 2700 block of Wharton Street “Kevin Hannah Way” to honor the memory of Kevin Hannah and to recognize his life and memorialize his lasting legacy.

WHEREAS, Mr. Kevin Hannah was a graduate of South Philadelphia High School, an excellent product of the Philadelphia School System; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hannah went directly to work upon graduation, becoming an active member of the Philadelphia Building Trades Union and an operating engineer for more than 25 years, recently promoted to a highly regarded leadership position; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hannah loved his family dearly. He was a loyal and faithful husband to his wife of 22 years, Leslie Daniels-Hannah, and leaves behind a daughter Kalyn Hannah and a son Kevin Hannah, Jr. Family was of the utmost importance to Mr. Hannah; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hannah was a dedicated citizen of the City of Philadelphia, spending his career and spare time working to make the City a better and more beautiful place as well as working to improve the lives of his fellow Philadelphians; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hannah was a well-known figure in Philadelphia politics. He was an active member in the 36th Ward Democratic Executive committee for the 32nd Division for more than 30 years, ensuring that the voices of South Philadelphia were heard and supported by local politicians. Mr. Hannah was acting chairman of the 36th Ward at the time of his passing; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hannah was also a member of the Pennsylvania State Democratic Committee, helping to develop statewide Democratic party policy and performing his civic duty via political participation; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Hannah was a longtime member of the Free Masons, one of the oldest and largest fraternal organizations in the world. He participated as a member in various houses within the Masonic family including the Rose of Sharon Lodge and Delco Council #3. Most importantly, Mr. Hannah worked to preserve veterans' rights in his role at the Son of the American Legion Lincoln Post #89; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hannah was a committed member of his faith community. He regularly attended services at St. Charles Catholic Church and supported the Knights of St. Peter Claver, the largest African American Catholic lay organization in the United States. Mr. Hannah loved his church community and his time with his church; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hannah's contributions to the City of Philadelphia and its buildings and citizens are indispensable, and his absence as a civic and community leader will be felt acutely by the City of Philadelphia; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That the 2700 block of Wharton Street be named "Kevin Hannah Way" to honor the memory of Kevin Hannah and to recognize his life and memorialize his lasting legacy.