



# City of Philadelphia

City Council  
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## **BILL NO. 250526 (As Amended, 5/30/25)**

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**Introduced May 15, 2025**

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**Councilmember Gilmore Richardson for Lozada**

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**Referred to the  
Committee on Public Property and Public Works**

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### **AN ORDINANCE**

Renaming the Wissinoming Recreation Center to the “Margaret Tartaglione Recreation Center” to honor the life and legacy of Margaret “Marge” Tartaglione, a pioneering public servant and leader in Philadelphia’s politics.

#### *THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:*

SECTION 1. WHEREAS, Margaret “Marge” Tartaglione was born and raised in Philadelphia, where she and her husband Eugene built a loving family, raising five children. A proud matriarch, Marge was deeply devoted to her children—including State Senator Christine “Tina” Tartaglione—and to her many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Her personal and professional lives reflected a lifelong commitment to service, strength, and loyalty; and

WHEREAS, Marge Tartaglione served as Chairwoman of the Board of City Commissioners for four decades, overseeing elections in Philadelphia and ensuring the integrity of the city’s democratic processes; and

WHEREAS, Known for her fierce independence and commanding presence, Marge was a trailblazer for women in politics at a time when few had a seat at the table, earning admiration as a politician who spoke her mind and fought persistently for her constituents and committee members; and

WHEREAS, As the longtime Democratic Leader of the 62nd Ward in Northeast Philadelphia, she was a fixture in her community and hosted political meetings in her Oxford Circle home that became known for their intensity, honesty, and community focus; and

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WHEREAS, Marge Tartaglione mentored generations of political leaders, opened doors for women in public service, and remained a steadfast advocate for neighborhood-level concerns, from potholes to public safety, always delivering on her promise to serve people; and

WHEREAS, Her legacy continues through her family and the countless Philadelphians whose lives she touched through her work, leadership, and unrelenting dedication to public life; now, therefore, be it

The Wissinoming Recreation Center is hereby renamed the “Margaret Tartaglione Recreation Center” to commemorate the life and service of Marge Tartaglione, a groundbreaking public servant, political icon, and tireless champion for the people of Philadelphia.

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately.