City of Philadelphia



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

(Resolution No. 020191)

RESOLUTION

Authorizing the Committee on Commerce and Economic Development to conduct public hearings on providing additional funding for the Philadelphia Film Society.

WHEREAS, In 2001, the Philadelphia Film Society was established as a non-profit organization that actively engages the community in film and media events; and

WHEREAS, The Film Society sponsors two world-class program events: *Philadelphia Festival of World Cinema* and *Philadelphia International Gay and Lesbian Film Festival*; and

WHEREAS, These two film festivals draw more than 60,000 filmgoers annually from around the world, generating a substantial revenue windfall for the Philadelphia economy; and

WHEREAS, The Film Society works with area businesses and non-profits to promote additional activities in the Philadelphia area that encourage many of the filmgoers to extend their stay in Philadelphia and to take in the wonderful amenities the City has to offer; and

WHEREAS, These film festivals also bolster Philadelphia's reputation as a diverse and sophisticated international cultural center as well as an important venue for the film production industry; and

WHEREAS, The City should continue to support the Film Society by providing more funding for its ongoing enrichment and educational activities that truly benefit all Philadelphians; now therefore

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That City Council's Committee on Commerce and Economic Development is hereby authorized to conduct public hearings on providing additional funding for the Philadelphia Film Society.

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RESOLUTION NO. 020191 continued

CERTIFICATION: This is a true and correct copy of the original Resolution, Adopted by the Council of the City of Philadelphia on the twenty-first of March, 2002.

Anna C. Verna
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

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Introduced by: Councilmembers DiCicco and Nutter

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O'Neill, Clarke, Rizzo and Council President Verna