

City of Philadelphia



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

(Resolution No. 140846)

RESOLUTION

Honoring Rosalind McKelvey for her commitment and dedication to services for the deaf and hard of hearing residents of the Eighth Council District.

WHEREAS, Rosalind (Roz) McKelvey was born and raised in Philadelphia. Following in the footsteps of her mother, Florence Garrett, Ms. McKelvey began advocating for the deaf and hard of hearing in the Eighth Council District at a young age; and

WHEREAS, Realizing that the deaf and hard of hearing had no access to interpreters in religious settings, Ms. McKelvey founded a ministry interpreting for the deaf and hard of hearing in her church. Since 1976, Ms. McKelvey has served as the Deaf Advocate and Special Needs Ministry Director for Germantown Deaf Ministries. Currently, Ms. McKelvey facilitates the only volunteer deaf advisory board for the Philadelphia Managing Director's Office of Emergency Management; and

WHEREAS, Ms. McKelvey worked as a special needs paraeducator at The Pennsylvania School of the Deaf for over twenty-one (21) years; and

WHEREAS, Ms. McKelvey, as a member of the Wakefield 49ers Community Development Group, hosts numerous events aimed at bringing awareness to issues concerning the deaf and hard of hearing residents and fostering community amongst all of the residents of the Eighth Council District; and

WHEREAS, The Deaf and Hard of Hearing Council of Southeastern Pennsylvania honored Ms. McKelvey as their Hearing Person of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Ms. McKelvey's commitment and dedication to serving her community is truly commendable and deserving of recognition; now, therefore be it,

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RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That it hereby honors Rosalind McKelvey for her commitment and dedication to services for the deaf and hard of hearing residents of the Eighth Council District.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy be presented to Rosalind McKelvey as evidence of the sincere sentiments 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 twenty-third day of October, 2014.

Darrell L. Clarke
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Michael A. Decker
CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmembers Bass and Oh

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Bass, Oh, Kenney, O'Brien, Blackwell, Jones, Goode, Quiñones Sánchez, Reynolds Brown, Squilla, Tasco and O'Neill