

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

(Resolution No. 100568)

#### RESOLUTION

Proclaiming October 28th 2010 as "Diabetes Awareness and Glucose Control Day."

**WHEREAS**, Diabetes is the sixth leading cause of death in the U.S. behind heart disease, cancer, stroke, chronic lower respiratory diseases, and accidents; and

**WHEREAS**, The American Diabetes Association estimates that 23.6 million adults and children in the U.S. have diabetes and many more are still undiagnosed; and

**WHEREAS**, Recognizing the at risk patient population is a significant concern, there is an equal concern of epidemic proportions – nearly half of those who have already been diagnosed with the disease are not reaching their blood glucose target levels; and

**WHEREAS**, Not gaining control of blood glucose levels and not achieving target A1c levels puts these patients at risk for serious complications including cardiovascular disease, blindness, kidney disease and dialysis, and nerve damage and amputation; and

**WHEREAS**, Be it resolved that the Philadelphia City Council supports awareness campaigns and public education programs on how to manage and recognize the symptoms of diabetes; and

**FURTHER RESOLVED,** That once an individual is diagnosed, City Council urges that they work with their healthcare providers to gain control of their blood glucose levels; and to manage and prevent complications caused by diabetes; now therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF PHILADELPHIA,** That October 28<sup>th</sup> 2010 forevermore be declared "Diabetes Awareness and Glucose Control Day", and that we honor Sanofi Aventis for their tireless efforts in helping those diagnosed with diabetes lead healthy lives as they manage this disease.

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**FURTHER RESOLVED,** That an Engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Sanofi Aventis as further evidencing the sincere admiration and gratitude 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 sixteenth of September, 2010.

> Anna C. Verna PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Michael A. Decker CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

- Introduced by: Councilmember Miller
- Sponsored by: Councilmembers Miller, Rizzo, Kelly, Clarke, Sanchez, Greenlee, Tasco, Jones, Green, Goode, Reynolds Brown, Kenney, DiCicco, Council President Verna, Councilmembers Blackwell, Krajewski and O'Neill