

# City of Philadelphia



(Bill No. 000454)

## AN ORDINANCE

Designating the picnic area located within the Twenty-ninth street and Chalmers avenue recreation fields and facility as the "Van R. Thomas Memorial Picnic Area."

WHEREAS, Mr. Van R. Thomas was a dedicated citizen of the City of Philadelphia serving on many organizations and fighting for many causes, including the Citizens Committee for Justice, the Anti-Graffiti Network, the Greater Philadelphia Urban Affairs Advisory Council and the Residents Coalition; and

WHEREAS, Van Thomas was very active in his community and served as a member of the North Penn Civic Association for twenty years, and was serving as its President at the time of his death; and

WHEREAS, Van Thomas helped shape and implement the vision for an exciting recreation project at the Twenty-ninth and Chalmers site; and

WHEREAS, Van Thomas was instrumental in providing the initial organized recreation activities on the Twenty-ninth and Chalmers site, and helped keep the area clean, safe and inviting for neighborhood youth and adults; and

WHEREAS, It is most fitting that a part of this recreational space be named in his honor as a testament to Van's vision and dedication to this City and particularly to our youth; now therefore

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

SECTION 1. The picnic area located within the Twenty-ninth street and Chalmers avenue recreation fields and facility is designated and shall be named the "Van R. Thomas Picnic Area."

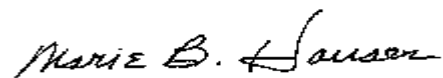
SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately.

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BILL NO. 000454 continued

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CERTIFICATION: This is a true and correct copy of the original Bill, Passed by the City Council on December 14, 2000. The Bill was Signed by the Mayor on January 23, 2001.



Marie B. Hauser  
Chief Clerk of the City Council