

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

(Resolution No. 090938)

RESOLUTION

Calling on Governor Rendell and Mayor Michael Nutter to support funding for a united Family Court Building.

WHEREAS, Currently Family Court operations are in two separate locations, 34 S. 11th Street and 1801 Vine Street; and

WHEREAS, A combined Family Court building will allow for a streamlined Family Court system, alleviating logistical issues for the courts and creating a more user friendly system for patrons; and

WHEREAS, A location has been identified, currently a surface parking lot, at 15th and Arch Streets, that has a strong architectural plan proposal; and

WHEREAS, This new location will be more accessible to Department of Human Services and Philadelphia Law Department professionals thereby creating even greater efficiencies for City employees; and

WHEREAS, The current locations for Family Court have served their purpose for a number of years but are now antiquated and the new combined Family Court can provide a level of safety and technological advancement that the citizens of this City deserve; and

WHEREAS, An ad hoc committee that contains numerous integral stakeholders has been formed through the Philadelphia Bar Association and is working diligently on this project now for a number of years to ensure its ultimate success; and

WHEREAS, The most important piece to move this project forward at this juncture is funding; and

WHEREAS, Having the Governor and the Mayor be out in front of this process would show the necessity of this project; and

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WHEREAS, Significant Redevelopment Capital Assistance Program (RCAP) funding would go a long way to ensuring that Philadelphian's have a 21st Century Family Court and not an outdated one; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF PHILADELPHIA, That we hereby call Calling on Governor Rendell and Mayor Michael Nutter to support funding for a united Family Court Building.



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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 seventeenth of December, 2009.

Anna C. Verna
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Michael A. Decker CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmember Reynolds Brown

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Rizzo, DiCicco,

Green, Council President Verna, Councilmembers Krajewski, Miller, Goode, Jones, Blackwell, O'Neill, Kenney, Clarke, Kelly

and Sanchez