

# City of Philadelphia



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

(Resolution No. 050252)

## RESOLUTION

Proclaiming April as “Chastity Awareness Month.”

The Philadelphia City Council designates the Month of April 2005, as  
“Chastity Awareness Month” in Philadelphia  
and encourages participation in “Chastity Day” presentations for schools and youth  
groups.

WHEREAS, Chastity promotes sexual self-control, self-esteem and self-respect,  
regardless of previous sexual behavior; and

WHEREAS, Chastity places sexual intercourse and intimate acts within the  
context of marriage; and

WHEREAS, Teenage pregnancy outside of marriage is a continuing problem in  
our society; and

WHEREAS, Each year, one million teenagers become pregnant, with about 70%  
of these teenage mothers being unmarried and more than 40% of them being school  
dropouts; and

WHEREAS, Abstaining from sexual activity is the only certain way to avoid out-  
of-wedlock pregnancy, sexually transmitted diseases and related emotional trauma; and

WHEREAS, “Chastity Day” presentations have been delivered for numerous  
schools and youth groups, with an annual attendance of over 10,000 participants; and

WHEREAS, Presentations are made by members of Generation Life, other  
organizations, and teens who provide peer testimony; and

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WHEREAS, Parent meetings are held to encourage the discussion of chastity in the home setting; and

WHEREAS, Chastity education emphasizes the powerful effect that alcohol and drug use have in increasing vulnerability to sexual advances and preventing good decision making; now therefore

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That the Philadelphia City Council designates the month of April 2005, as “Chastity Awareness Month” in Philadelphia and encourages participation in “Chastity Day” presentations for schools and youth groups; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Generation Life, 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 thirty-first of March, 2005.

Anna C. Verna  
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Patricia Rafferty  
CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmember Rizzo

Sponsored by: Council President Verna, Councilmembers Rizzo, Goode, Nutter, Mariano, Ramos, DiCicco, Clarke, Miller, Reynolds Brown, Blackwell, O'Neill and Kelly