

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

(Resolution No. 250928)

#### RESOLUTION

Commemorating and honoring the 2025 Philadelphia Walk to End Alzheimer's for mobilizing thousands of Philadelphians in the ongoing fight against Alzheimer's through advocacy, research, and community care.

WHEREAS, In 1980, the Alzheimer's Association was founded by Jerome H. Stone and a group of researchers and family caregivers who wanted a national non-profit organization to support those affected by Alzheimer's and to advance research. Since its founding, the association has grown to become a leading global organization for Alzheimer's care, research, support, and research with a network of local chapters, volunteers, and support groups across the United States; and

WHEREAS, In 1991, the Philadelphia Walk to End Alzheimer's began as the Philadelphia Memory Walk co-founded by Orien Reid-Nix. It was the first of its kind and has grown into one of the most successful walks to bring awareness about Alzheimer's. The "Memory Walk" name symbolized the heartfelt journeys of individuals walking in honor and memory of families and friends who faced Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia; and

WHEREAS, The 2025 Philadelphia Walk to End Alzheimer's, will be held on Saturday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, it will be a moving celebration of community, hope, and remembrance, centered around the symbolic Promise Garden ceremony. Participants will walk in solidarity for a cause that touches millions of families and carrying flowers in colors that represent their personal connection to the disease; and

WHEREAS, Among the many dedicated participants, Eddie's Legacy Team has exemplified the spirit of the walk through its steadfast commitment to honor the memory of Eddie Hopson through dedicated participation on behalf of those affected by Alzheimer's.

WHEREAS, The Philadelphia Walk to End Alzheimer's plays a vital role in uniting the region in support of the Alzheimer's association overarching mission to advance research toward treatment, prevention, and ultimately a cure for Alzheimer's disease that will improve the quality

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of life for individuals living with the disease and for their families and caregivers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That it hereby commemorates and honors the 2025 Philadelphia Walk to End Alzheimer's for mobilizing thousands of Philadelphians in the ongoing fight against Alzheimer's through advocacy, research, and community care.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That two Engrossed copies of this Resolution be presented to the Alzheimer's Association of Greater Pennsylvania and the family of Eddie Hopson, whose leadership inspired Eddie's Legacy Walk Team as evidence 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, 2025.

Kenyatta Johnson
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Elizabeth McCollum
CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmember Landau

Sponsored by: Council President Johnson, Councilmembers Landau, Phillips,

Ahmad, Bass, Brooks, Driscoll, Gauthier, Gilmore Richardson, Harrity, Jones, Lozada, O'Neill, O'Rourke, Squilla and Thomas