

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

(Resolution No. 160088)

RESOLUTION

A Proclamation recognizing, honoring, and observing, February 1- 5, 2016, as "National School Counseling Week" in the City of Philadelphia.

WHEREAS, School counselors allow students to reach their fullest potential by helping young people explore their abilities, interests, strengths and talents both in school and as related to career awareness and development; and

WHEREAS, School counselors play a unique role in working with parents, teachers and other educators to develop and support the educational, personal and social growth of young people; and

WHEREAS, Comprehensive school counseling programs are considered an integral part of the educational process that enables all students to achieve success in school; and

WHEREAS, School counselors are valued as essential members of safe and successful school environments; and

WHEREAS, Philadelphia school counselors in particular have performed heroically each and every day, many of them in spite of inadequate resources and growing caseloads; and

WHEREAS, School counselors serve our City's most vulnerable students, including system-involved youth and students experiencing homelessness; and

WHEREAS, School counselors work with families, staff and young people dealing with violence, illness, death and other traumas that might otherwise go unaddressed and unsupported and are critically important caregivers and hubs for community services in schools; and

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WHEREAS, Philadelphia school counselors employ developmentally appropriate interventions and for our students including trauma-informed care and school-wide positive behavior support; and

WHEREAS, School counselors have worked diligently to support the college admissions process and post-secondary goal setting for students; and

WHEREAS, The first week of February is "National School Counseling Week"; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, Hereby recognizes, honors and observes February 1-5, 2016 as "National School Counseling Week".

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this resolution be sent to Philly Counselors United, as evidence of the sincere respect and admiration 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 eighth of January, 2016.

Darrell L. Clarke
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Michael A. Decker CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmembers Gym and Green

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Gym, Green, Reynolds Brown,

Taubenberger, Johnson, Greenlee, Domb, Jones, Oh, Quiñones Sánchez, Blackwell, Council President Clarke,

Councilmembers Henon, Parker, Bass and O'Neill