

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

(Resolution No. 160237)

RESOLUTION

Recognizing, honoring and celebrating *Unite for HER* for its invaluable contributions to building bridges between the medical and wellness communities by funding and delivering therapies that support the physical and emotional needs of those with breast cancer during treatment and beyond.

WHEREAS, *Unite for HER* was founded in 2009 by Sue Weldon, a 12 year breast cancer survivor, to raise funds and create *Wellness Days* that provide breast cancer patients with a series of therapies such as yoga, acupuncture, massage therapy, nutrition counseling and more; and

WHEREAS, The *Wellness Days* result in breast cancer patients receiving a full year of selected benefits that empower patients, reduce side effects and improve their quality of life; and

WHEREAS, The primary fund-raising event for *Unite for HER* is the Pink Invitational which convenes 3,500 women gymnasts from across the country in Philadelphia to compete and raise awareness and funds in a sign of unity; and

WHEREAS, This 3-day gymnastics competition features 92 club and college teams and is the premier competitive gymnastics event on the east coast; and

WHEREAS, Funds generated at the Pink Invitational, and other *Unite for HER* fundraising events, annually support 1,000 women in their battles against the disease; and

WHEREAS, 14 hospitals, in and around Philadelphia, partner with *Unite for HER* to improve the lives of women impacted by breast cancer; and

WHEREAS, The Pink Invitational host gym is the AJS Pancott National Olympic Training Center and the original – and continuing - funding sponsor is Verizon; and

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WHEREAS, The City of Philadelphia embraces this annual event of unique and important partnerships between *Unite for HER* and area hospitals to help women with breast cancer become restored in body, mind and spirit; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That City Council hereby recognize, honor and celebrate *Unite For HER* for its invaluable contributions that support women with breast cancer across the Philadelphia Region.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to *UFH*, 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 seventeenth of March, 2016.

> Darrell L. Clarke PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Michael A. Decker CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmember Gym

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Gym, Bass, Parker, Blackwell, Reynolds Brown, Quiñones Sánchez and Henon