

City of Philadelphia

RESOLUTION NO. 180245

Introduced March 15, 2018

Councilmembers Blackwell, Green, Parker and Reynolds Brown

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Also naming the 3800 block of Cambridge Street "Dr. Carl S. Moore Way" in honor or Dr. Moore's activism and his tireless efforts in fighting for a better future for the African American Community.

WHEREAS, Carl Stanley Moore was a lifelong Philadelphian. He was born on August 2, 1943 in Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, and he graduated from Roman Catholic High School in 1961; and

WHEREAS, Carl Moore served in the military on the Special Forces Airborne Unit. After his military service, Carl went on to receive his Bachelor's Degree from Fayetteville Teacher's College in Fayetteville, North Carolina. He then earned two Master's Degrees, one in Sociology from Temple University, and the other in Human Resources from Antioch College. He then pursued a Ph.D. from The University of Pennsylvania, where he completed a thesis on Human Behavior; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Moore embodied the ideals of Community Activism, and was involved in various community organizations around Philadelphia. Promptly after graduating from university, he began working with the Model Cities Program, an organization crucial in providing social service programs, jobs, and grants to North Philadelphia residents. Dr. Moore started as a janitor, and with hard work and dedication he quickly became a community organizer, which led to his eventual appointment as the Executive Director of Model Cities; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Moore served as Vice President of Philadelphia Health Management Corporation and was also a board member for Regional Comprehensive Health. In these roles, he helped establish rules and regulations for the City's first Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) and created accountability measures for hospitals in Southeastern Pennsylvania; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Moore was instrumental in advocating for proper access to healthcare for the African American Community and worked with healthcare employees to establish District Council 1199C, the city's union for healthcare workers. He also worked with Samuel Evans to promote the development and training of black doctors and lawyers in Philadelphia; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Moore was involved in politics at an early age and was a part of the Church of the Advocate's Movement to elect more minorities to City offices, Congress, and the State House of Representatives. He established the National Coalition for Involved People, a group whose focus was to put more blacks in the field of politics and healthcare; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Moore was passionate about fighting for civil rights for African Americans and was active in many initiatives throughout his lifetime. He helped establish the Philadelphia Guardian Civic League, Philadelphia's local chapter of the National Black Police Association. He assisted in organizing gang programs, construction programs, union training programs, economic development, and community development programs. He was active in the Black Power Movement where he worked to stop housing redlining, and job discrimination. Dr. Moore also marched with Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and Congressman John Lewis, Reverend Jesse Jackson, and Andrew Young during the Civil Rights Movement; and

WHEREAS, Over the years, Dr. Moore worked both passionately and feverishly to increase leadership and economic growth for minorities around the City. He dedicated his life to improving the lives of minorities in Philadelphia and all around the country. Dr. Moore was always known as a fixer, one who does whatever it takes to help solve the problems and issues of others. A mantra he always lived by is to "always keep your word, and always stand up for what's right"; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, THAT THE PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL, Hereby also names the 3800 block of Cambridge Street "Dr. Carl S. Moore Way" in honor or Dr. Moore's activism and his tireless efforts in fighting for a better future for the African American Community.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Carl S. Moore as a sincere expression of the Philadelphia City Council's gratitude and recognition.