

# City of Philadelphia



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

(Resolution No. 190271)

## RESOLUTION

Recognizing April as Limb Loss Awareness Month.

WHEREAS, There are approximately 2 million americans living with limb loss/difference; and

WHEREAS, Over 500 Americans lose a limb every day; and

WHEREAS, 1,000 babies are born each year in the United States with congenital limb difference; and

WHEREAS, Diabetes and peripheral vascular disease are the leading causes of limb loss, followed closely by trauma; and

WHEREAS, Studies show 60 percent of limb loss is preventable; and

WHEREAS, The number of amputations per day will double by 2050 unless a major public awareness campaign is launched and key prevention initiatives put in place; and

WHEREAS, Access to appropriate prosthetic care for people living with limb loss is vital to enable individuals to reach their full potential, live independently, and live well; and

WHEREAS, The Amputee Coalition of America provides education, outreach, advocacy, and a National Limb Loss Information Center for the benefit of persons with limb loss/difference, their families, and health care providers; and

WHEREAS, April is an appropriate month to designate as National Limb Loss Awareness Month as spring is a time of renewal and inspiration; and

WHEREAS, Limb Loss Awareness Month should be a time to celebrate people with limb loss and limb difference living full and productive lives, express gratitude to caregivers who are a source of support and motivation, and salute combat amputees who have lost their limbs in service to this country; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That it hereby recognizes April as Limb Loss Awareness Month.

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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 fourth of April, 2019.

Darrell L. Clarke  
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Michael A. Decker  
CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmember Parker

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Parker, Green, Squilla, Quiñones Sánchez, Gym, Johnson, Greenlee, Reynolds Brown, Bass, Domb, Oh, Council President Clarke, Councilmembers O'Neill, Blackwell, Jones, Henon and Taubenberger