City of Philadelphia



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

(Resolution No. 200727)

RESOLUTION

Recognizing Monday, December 14 to Friday, December 18, as PHLConnectED Week!

WHEREAS, PHLConnectED is a City-led program that provides free internet to Philadelphia K through 12th grade student households that need high speed, reliable service; and

WHEREAS, As a part of its larger digital equity initiative, the City of Philadelphia established the PHLConnectED program with corporate, public, and private funds, intended to connect up to 35,000 households to internet through June 2022; and

WHEREAS, Since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, PHLConnectED and its many partners have helped more than 12,000 families cross the digital divide but many low-income families still lack reliable high speed internet for school; and

WHEREAS, Digital access is still a great need for many Philadelphia students and their families. The City will recognize December 14 to December 18, 2020 as "PHLConnectED Week", where new program enhancements and expanded eligibility means even more families will be able to get connected to free reliable internet; and

WHEREAS, While continuing to reach out via text, emails and phone calls, the staff of PHLConnectED are encouraging those interested in learning more about the program to call 2-1-1 and press option 1 to see if they are eligible. Residents can also get more information about this program by visiting www.phila.gov/PHLConnectED; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That we hereby Recognizing Monday, December 14 to Friday, December 18, as PHLConnectED Week! in the City of Philadelphia and encourage our residents to sign up for this invaluable program.

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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 tenth day of December, 2020.

Darrell L. Clarke
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Michael A. Decker CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmember Squilla

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Squilla, Jones, Thomas, O'Neill, Gilmore

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