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Authorizing Council’s Committee on Global Opportunities and the Creative/Innovative Economy to hold hearings on the level of care and backlog of services for veterans in the City of Philadelphia.

WHEREAS, Across the nation, the Veterans Administration is under scrutiny for the lack of proper services and extraordinary lengths of time for veterans to receive proper care; and

WHEREAS, There are roughly 88,000 veterans living in Philadelphia with service spanning World War II until the present, men and women, of all races, religions, ethnicities, gender-identifications and physical abilities; and

WHEREAS, Countless veterans speak out about waiting sometimes up to one year to see a doctor to receive medical care through the local Veterans Administration; and

WHEREAS, Veterans recount numerous and similar stories of being misdiagnosed and pushed to taking prescription drugs rather than comprehensive and holistic medical care; and

WHEREAS, Veterans have served our Country and offer great leadership and talents to our City, but also deserve access to the full range of comprehensive and timely benefits and services that they have earned; now,

therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That it hereby authorizes Council's Committee on Global Opportunities and the Creative/Innovative Economy to hold hearings on the level of care and backlog of services for veterans in the City of Philadelphia.