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WHEREAS, The Administration desires to eliminate the imposition of fines on children for the loss or late return of borrowed materials from the Free Library of Philadelphia; and

WHEREAS, It’s an important that all patrons, especially including the young, learn that there are consequences for irresponsible behavior such as the loss or late return of borrowed materials; and

WHEREAS, The Free Library of Philadelphia currently has administrative policies that prevent the use of borrowing books and utilizing other library resources when a patron owes fines, however, in the case of children’s fines, this policy can be changed to allow the use of resources within the library while still preventing the borrowing of additional books until all fines have been paid; now, therefore

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Title 15 of The Philadelphia Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

TITLE 15. PARKS AND RECREATION

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CHAPTER 15-500. LIBRARIES

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§ 15-501. Imposition of Fines.

(1) Reasonable fines shall be assessed and collected by the Free Library of Philadelphia for the loss or late return of borrowed materials.

(2) The net revenues from the collection of fines for the loss or late return of borrowed materials by children, after subtracting the expenses for the collection of such fines, shall be deposited in a separate account to be disbursed equally amongst each of the branches citywide to be spent for enhancing technology resources and youth specific programming that will benefit the Free Library of Philadelphia and its patrons.

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Explanation:

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted.

Italics indicate new matter added.

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