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Honoring and Recognizing February, 2017 as Career and Technical Education (CTE) Awareness Month in the City of Philadelphia.

WHEREAS, More than 6,000 Philadelphia School District students attend a Career and Technical Education program at more than 30 high schools across the City; and

WHEREAS, These students earn valuable college credit and industry recognized credentials in these programs; and

WHEREAS, 81% of dropouts say relevant, real-world learning opportunities would have kept them in high school; and

WHEREAS, The average high school graduation rate for students concentrating in CTE is 90.18%, compared to a national average of 74.9%; and

WHEREAS, CTE students in the School District of Philadelphia earn over 3,400 industry credentials annually; and

WHEREAS, There will be more than 6,700 jobs opening in the trade, transportation, and utilities sector over the next five years in Philadelphia; and

WHEREAS, The School District of Philadelphia has planned more than a dozen events throughout the month of February to raise awareness around the opportunities within the Career and Technical Education programs they run; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, Hereby recognizes February, 2017 as Career and Technical Education (CTE) Awareness Month in the City of Philadelphia.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this resolution be made to honor this important month.