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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

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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

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

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