

Legislation Text

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Congratulating and Recognizing the AARP for 50 years of service to our community and our nation, and for its efforts to help everyone make the most of life as they age - today and for generations to come.

WHEREAS, AARP is a voluntary, nonprofit, nonpartisan membership organization with a 50-year history of leading positive social change by harnessing the individual and collective power of its members to make life better for all as they age; and

WHEREAS, AARP has, since being founded in 1958 by retired educator Ethel Percy Andrus adopted as its motto "To serve, not to be served,"; and

WHEREAS, AARP and its nearly 40 million members use the "Power to Make It Better" to advocate for a wide range of issues, including affordable, quality health care and lifetime financial security; and

WHEREAS, AARP has fostered proactive efforts to help people achieve the quality of life and peace of mind they desire and deserve; and

WHEREAS, AARP helps people make informed decisions through timely news and information; and

WHEREAS, AARP continues to champion changes in communities designed to enable people to live in safety and comfort, with affordable and appropriate housing, a range of mobility options, and features and services that promote independent and dignified living; and

WHEREAS, AARP has created extensive volunteer opportunities and developed what its founder termed "an army of useful citizens" to strengthen civic engagement through volunteer service and charitable efforts; and

WHEREAS, AARP continues to promote a business climate and employer attitudes that support and promote the loyalty, reliability and flexibility of mature workers; and

WHEREAS, AARP works to advance a society in which everyone ages with dignity and purpose and in which Americans age 50+ have the opportunity to pursue and achieve their dreams, hopes, and aspirations; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, THAT THE PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL, Hereby congratulates AARP for 50 years of service to our community and our nation, and for its efforts to help everyone make the most of life as they age - today and for generations to come.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the AARP as a sincere expression of City Council's appreciation and gratitude.