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Authorizing the establishment of the Cecil B. Moore and Temple University Special Services District.

WHEREAS, Approximately 10,000 Temple University Students live in the communities around the University's main campus and only 5,500 actually live on campus; and

WHEREAS, Over the last ten years Temple University's student enrollment has grown to over 37,000 and the University has evolved from a commuter school to one where many students live on or around the campus; and

WHEREAS, Private developers have seized the opportunity to house students capitalizing on a weak private real estate market saturated with vacant lots and abandoned structures, the City's real estate tax abatement and students interested in a lower cost more flexible living environment without the structure or supervision of living in a dormitory; and

WHEREAS, Many factors including lack of parking, litter and under-age drinking by students have created neighborhood conditions that challenge the quality of life for long-term residents; and

WHEREAS, The Cecil B. Moore and Temple University Special Services District is a tightly structured sustainable plan to address quality of life issues in impacted communities; the key components of the plan include neighborhood and student involvement, quality-of-life goals and accountability; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, TTHAT THE PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL, Hereby authorizes the establishment of the Cecil B. Moore and Temple University Special Services District.