

## City of Philadelphia

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## **Legislation Text**

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Recognizing Wednesday, March 28, 2018, as "Crossing Guard Appreciation Day" in Philadelphia.

WHEREAS, The City of Philadelphia places a high priority on preserving the health and welfare of our children, especially with respect to our school-aged youth through the utilization of adult crossing guards; and

WHEREAS, Each and every school day, dedicated Philadelphians, assuming the invaluable and often thankless role of adult crossing guard, spend countless hours assisting our children and youth cross busy intersections as they arrive and depart from school; and

WHEREAS, As veritable role models, adult crossing guards assist our children with developing the skills necessary to cross streets safely at all times, help with reminding drivers of the presence of pedestrians and provide parents with a greater sense of comfort and reassurance regarding the well being of their children; and

WHEREAS, Safe Routes Philly has played an integral role in ensuring that more of our children are bicycling and walking to schools safely on a daily basis; and

WHEREAS, Walking to and from school provides an opportunity to improve the health of our students by reducing the risk of heart disease, hypertension, and instilling in students a commitment to daily physical activity; and

WHEREAS, The efforts of Philadelphia's adult crossing guards, in tandem with the work of the Safe Routes Philly, are contributing to the goal of making Philadelphia one of the safest and most secure places in the nation for our school-age children to travel to and from school; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL, Hereby designates Wednesday, March 28, 2018, as "Crossing Guard Appreciation Day" in Philadelphia.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City Council acknowledges both the efforts and the indispensable role that adult crossing guards assume in the City of Philadelphia.