

Legislation Text

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Recognizing October 25th as Cardiac Health Awareness Day in the City of Philadelphia and Honoring Simon's Heart for promoting Cardiac Health Awareness in Philadelphia.

WHEREAS, Cardiac arrest is an abrupt loss of heart function that can come on suddenly and may not display signs or symptoms before occurring; and

WHEREAS, Cardiac arrest can be fatal if proper steps, such as cardiopulmonary resuscitation or CPR are not performed; and

WHEREAS, Due to the heart's function of pumping blood stalling it is also important that a defibrillator or AED be used to shock the heart back into a normal rhythm; and

WHEREAS, Organizations such as the Philadelphia Fire Foundation, Mobile CPR, and Simon's Heart work in Philadelphia communities to educate members on how to detect and identify cardiac arrest and how to assist when someone experiences cardiac arrest; and

WHEREAS, The Philadelphia Fire Foundation provides life safety programs in communities to help combat not only cardiac arrest, but also the use of EpiPen's, basic first aid and triage, and overdose reversal; and

WHEREAS, Mobile CPR goes out into the community and leads CPR training as well as training community leaders to become trainers themselves in order to reach every community in Philadelphia with this necessary and vital education; and

WHEREAS, In honoring their son, Simon Sudman, the Sudman family has worked tirelessly to bring awareness to sudden cardiac arrest as well as sudden infant death syndrome by founding Simon's Heart; and

WHEREAS, Simon's Heart provides education within communities and donates AEDs to communities and organizations that are in desperate need of these life saving devices; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, Does hereby honor and recognize October 25th as Cardiac Health Awareness Day in the City of Philadelphia.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to representatives of Simon's Heart as evidence of the sincere respect and admiration of this legislative body for promoting Cardiac Health Awareness in Philadelphia.