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Recognizing and honoring Harvey Holiday on the occasion of his retirement after extraordinary service as a Broadcaster of nearly 30 years with WOGL and a half-century in the broadcasting business to the people of Philadelphia and beyond.

WHEREAS, Harvey Holiday was born and raised in Philadelphia; and at the age of 12, Mr. Holiday realized that he wanted to become a Broadcaster; his first time in front of the microphone, the "Master Blaster" deejayed his junior high school dance; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Holiday got his first broadcasting position as a disc jockey at WYNS in Leighton; he has gone on to WRAW in Reading; WAAT in Trenton; WMID in Atlantic City; WSAR in Fall River; WPGR in Pittsburgh; and WDAS, WFIL, Power 99, WIOQ, and WOGL, all in Philadelphia; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Holiday also ventured into television where he did four oldies TV shows for NJN, and appeared on QVC when the programming was oldies-oriented; and

WHEREAS, In July of 1989, Harvey Holiday started his extremely popular "Street Corner Sunday" show on WOGL that ran until January of 2018; and is now retiring from his mid-day, weekday show on WOGL with "The 12 Days of Harvey Holiday" farewell to his many dedicated and loyal fans, ending on December 12, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Holiday has received numerous awards recognizing his great talent, including the "Best Oldies Show" by *Philadelphia Magazine*, the "Best Oldies DJ" by *Philadelphia Weekly*, the "Lifetime Achievement Award" by the Philadelphia DooWop Association, the "Kal Rudman Milestone Award," and the highest award that a radio person can receive: induction into the Philadelphia Music Alliance Walk of Fame-the Mount Rushmore of the music business-with a commemorative plaque in the sidewalk at Broad Street and Spruce Street in front of the Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts in Philadelphia in 2015; and

WHEREAS, The City of Philadelphia City Council is grateful for Harvey Holiday's tremendous contributions to the cultural fabric of Philadelphia, and wishes him much happiness in his retirement, and looks forward to his many future accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That it hereby recognizes and honors Harvey Holiday on the occasion of his retirement after extraordinary service as a broadcaster of nearly 30 years with WOGL and a half-century in the broadcasting business to the people of Philadelphia and beyond.

FUTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the distinguished Harvey Holiday.