Legislation Text

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Recognizing, honoring and celebrating The Wardrobe on its 30th Anniversary of opening.

WHEREAS, The Wardrobe, formerly known as Career Wardrobe, is a nonprofit organization and social justice hub devoted to ensuring people who need clothes for any life event have access to that clothing. Addressing clothing insecurity is a complicated and nuanced challenge rooted in helping individuals feel good about themselves and the opportunities in front of them; and

WHEREAS, The organization has throughout its history continued the mission of supplying high-quality and professional clothing, including brand-name clothing and professional attire from scrubs to suits. The Wardrobe frequently hosts support service organizations on-site to help address a host of challenges that people who come into the store may experience; and

WHEREAS, Job training, support skills, and networking are all part of the suite of services The Wardrobe provides or partners to offer. Many folks who shop there end up coming back for more clothes, support, or to volunteer and pay the help they received to another person; and

WHEREAS, Communities served by The Wardrobe are often under-resourced and denied a seat at the table; dressing to the scale of the opportunity in front of them was too often an insurmountable barrier. With The Wardrobe’s stock of upscaled and new clothes coupled with its bespoke guidance, those barriers are falling one at a time; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, Hereby recognizes, honors and celebrates The Wardrobe on its 30th Anniversary of opening.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this Resolution be presented to The Wardrobe as evidence of the admiration and respect of this Council.