

# City of Philadelphia



Council of the City of Philadelphia  
Office of the Chief Clerk  
Room 402, City Hall  
Philadelphia

(Resolution No. 100567)

## RESOLUTION

Proclaiming September 2010 as “Baby Safety Month.”

The City Council of Philadelphia designates September 2010 as “Baby Safety Month,” in Philadelphia and encourages all parents and caregivers to check their home for items that may pose a danger to young children.

**WHEREAS**, Each year, the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) receives about 15 reports of choking deaths to children under the age of 3; and

**WHEREAS**, Some of these deaths involve items that are considered known hazards such as small toys, toy parts, balloons, balls and marbles; and

**WHEREAS**, CPSC is asking parents and caregivers to check their home for items that may pose a choking hazard to young children; and

**WHEREAS**, In addition to known hazards, such as balloons, there are many tragic deaths each year that result from hidden hazards, such as small objects not intended for use by children but that accidentally end up in their hands and mouths; and

**WHEREAS**, Parents and caregivers should stay on the lookout for small parts breaking off of toys or young children getting their hands on items intended for older siblings; and

**WHEREAS**, Balloons, a leading cause of toy-related deaths, are often a favorite of young children, however; un-inflated balloons and fragments from popped balloons can choke and kill a small child; and

**WHEREAS**, Parents and caregivers can keep their children safe by keeping small objects like small toys and parts of toys, marbles, balloons, small balls and coins off the floor and out of reach of children; and

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**WHEREAS**, Parents and caregivers can keep their children safe by keeping toys designed for older children out of the hands of little ones; and

**WHEREAS**, Parents and caregivers can keep their children safe by following labels that give age recommendations; and

**WHEREAS**, Parents and caregivers should teach older children to help keep their toys away from younger siblings; and

**WHEREAS**, These steps are just a starting point for parents and caregivers and remember that children have a special way of getting into everything and “Baby Proofing” means saving those precious little ones.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF PHILADELPHIA**, That Philadelphia designates September 2010 as “Baby Safety Month,” in Philadelphia.

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CERTIFICATION: This is a true and correct copy of the original Resolution, Adopted by the Council of the City of Philadelphia on the sixteenth of September, 2010.

Anna C. Verna  
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