

# City of Philadelphia



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

(Resolution No. 060151)

## RESOLUTION

Recognizing, Honoring, Celebrating, And Remembering Azeem: The “Brave One” - Badge Number K-527, A Seven-Year Veteran Of The Philadelphia Police Department-- For His Honorable Service And Extraordinary Talents That Personified His Commitment To Not Only The Citizens Of Philadelphia But Also The United States Of America.

WHEREAS, Azeem, the black-and-rust German Shepherd, was born on May 22, 1995, and approximately three years later, after intense training, became a member of the Philadelphia Police Department; and

WHEREAS, Azeem’s sense of smell, searching tactics, and recovery skills, exemplifies what it means to be a K9 in the finest Police Departments in the Nation; and

WHEREAS, Azeem was the only trained cadaver sniffing dog in the area, and, in addition to the Philadelphia Police Department, was helpful to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, New Jersey and Pennsylvania State Police Departments, and other law enforcement agencies; and

WHEREAS, Azeem participated in the recovery efforts at Ground Zero after the World Trade Center attacks of September 11, 2001; and

WHEREAS, Azeem won the prestigious 2001 Case of the Year Award given by the United States Police Canine Association in the Kimberly Szumski case in which Azeem remarkably located a body entombed in a concrete wall; and

WHEREAS, Azeem superbly represented the Philadelphia Police Department and The City of Philadelphia — he will be greatly missed; now therefore

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RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That it, Recognizes, Honors, Celebrates, And Remembers Azeem: The “Brave One” — Badge Number K-527, A Seven-Year Veteran Of The Philadelphia Police Department—For His Honorable Service And Extraordinary Talents That Personified His Commitment To Not Only The Citizens Of Philadelphia But Also To The United States Of America.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Philadelphia Police Commissioner Sylvester Johnson and Azeem’s human partner, Officer Paul Bryant, further evidencing the sincere admiration and gratitude of this legislative body.

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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 twenty-third February, 2006.

Anna C. Verna  
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Patricia Rafferty  
CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced and Sponsored by: Councilmembers Rizzo, Council President Verna, Councilmembers DiCicco, Blackwell, Nutter, Clarke, Krajewski, Mariano, Miller, Tasco, O'Neill, Goode, Kelly, Kenney, Ramos and Reynolds Brown