

City of Philadelphia



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

(Resolution No. 070291)

RESOLUTION

Calling for the resignation or dismissal of Don Imus from his WFAN-AM “Imus in the Morning” radio show and further calling for a boycott of his show, locally and nationally, until such time of his resignation or dismissal.

WHEREAS, Don Imus hosts a WFAN-AM radio show “Imus in the Morning” that is simulcast by cable’s MSNBC; and

WHEREAS, WFAN-AM originates in New York City and is syndicated nationally by Westwood One which are both managed by CBS; and

WHEREAS, Don Imus has garnered a reputation over the past forty years as an “anything goes” radio personality; and

WHEREAS, On April 5, 2007, Don Imus made inappropriate and racial comments about the University of Rutgers women’s basketball team whose coach and eight members are African-American; and

WHEREAS, These appalling and unconscionable comments included but not limited too calling the players from Rutgers as “Hardcore Hos” and “That’s some nappy-headed hos there”; and

WHEREAS, Organizations, Political and Civic Leaders including but not limited to: The National Association of Black Journalists, including its Philadelphia chapter, Rev. Jesse Jackson and Rev. Al Sharpton have called for the immediate dismissal or resignation of Don Imus; now therefore

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That we hereby call for the immediate resignation or dismissal of Don Imus from his WFAN-AM “Imus in the Morning” radio show and further calling for a boycott of his show, locally and nationally, until such time of his resignation or dismissal.

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FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be sent to NBC News Senior Vice President Phil Griffen.

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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 twelfth of April, 2007.

Anna C. Verna
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Patricia Rafferty
CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmember Ramos

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Ramos, Greenlee, DiCicco, Goode, Reynolds Brown, Krajewski, Council President Verna, Councilmembers Miller, Campbell, Kenney and Blackwell