

# City of Philadelphia



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

(Resolution No. 080223)

## RESOLUTION

Calling on the Department of Recreation to find an alternative method to closing the Robin Hood Dell East for the 2008 Summer Concert Series.

**WHEREAS**, Robin Hood Dell East, located in East Fairmount Park, is an outdoor amphitheatre that seats almost 9,000 individuals and is managed by the City's Department of Recreation; and

**WHEREAS**, The Dell East is a community-service venue that provides citizens an opportunity to attend summer concerts, featuring renowned entertainers as well as local talent; and

**WHEREAS**, The 2006 concert series was plagued with delays in booking entertainers which adversely impacted attendance and tickets sales resulting with the City having to subsidize Dell East costs; and

**WHEREAS**, Several contracts were signed just days before a show prompting a lack of advertising, highlighting the continued lack of planning during for the summer concert series; and

**WHEREAS**, While there was some improvement in 2007, many questions remain unanswered such as if the Department of Recreation is putting in the proper time to advertise and promote the concerts, prepare contracts to be completed and signed in a professional manner, and develop a proposal for consulting services; and

**WHEREAS**, It is uncertain from testimony during 2008 Budget Hearings if the Dell will host a 2008 summer concert series; and

**WHEREAS**, Many Philadelphia families find the Dell East to be one of the highlights of the summer in Philadelphia; and

**WHEREAS**, The Department of Recreation must commit to Robin Hood Dell East remaining open or find alternative remedies for a 2008 summer concert series; now therefore, be it

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**RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, THAT** Council hereby calls upon the Department of Recreation to find an alternative method to closing the Robin Hood Dell East for the 2008 Summer Concert Series.

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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-eight of February, 2008.

Anna C. Verna  
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Patricia Rafferty  
CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmembers Reynolds Brown, Clarke and Jones

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Reynolds Brown, Clarke, Jones Greenlee, Goode, Tasco, Krajewski, DiCicco, Blackwell, Miller, Sanchez, Green and Kenney