

City of Philadelphia



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

(Resolution No. 090822)

RESOLUTION

Urging the Nutter Administration to reinstitute mechanical leaf collection service in the City of Philadelphia

WHEREAS, The City no longer provides mechanical leaf collection service; and

WHEREAS, Piles of leaves left curbside will become rain-soaked, thus creating slick surfaces that pose a serious safety hazard for both drivers and pedestrians; and

WHEREAS, Piles of leaves left curbside will clog storm water inlets; and

WHEREAS, Piles of leaves left curbside will become dried out posing a fire hazard, particularly when exposed to the hot surfaces of the underside of a vehicle; and

WHEREAS, Piles of leaves left in a public right-of-way will create similar hazards endangering public structures including bridges, buildings, etc.; and

WHEREAS, Piles of leaves left curbside may create an attractive nuisance to children who can sustain serious or fatal injuries when struck by a vehicle while playing in the leaf piles; and

WHEREAS, Piles of leaves left curbside will complicate snowplowing; and

WHEREAS, Piles of leaves left curbside reduce the overall number of available parking spaces within a neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, Additional costs will be incurred by the City of Philadelphia if separate personnel and trucks from the Streets Department must be utilized to collect leaf-filled, biodegradable paper bags; therefore,

BE IT NOW RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That it urges the Nutter Administration to reinstitute mechanical leaf collection service in the City of Philadelphia.

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RESOLUTION NO. 090822 continued

CERTIFICATION: This is a true and correct copy of the original Resolution, Adopted by the Council of the City of Philadelphia on the fifth of November, 2009.

Anna C. Verna
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

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