

McIlvain Playground

On December 5, McIlvain Playground celebrated "Ms. Angel Day" in honor of Angel Brandan. Angel is in her 35th year as the Tot Recreation Teacher. The Tot Rec Room had unofficially been known as the angels room in honor of Angel and all of the angels she has taught. During a ceremony Steve Schmidt, facility supervisor, officially dedicated the room as "The Angels Room," and a beautiful sign hung above the door was revealed. Pastor Alonzo Johnson from The Northeast Bible Fellowship gave the invocation and was followed by Kimberly Washington, Director of the Frankford Community Development Corporation. Gizella Burnside presented a proclamation from the Pennsylvania State Senate on behalf of State Senator Tina Tartaglione, and State Representative Jason Dawkins thanked Ms. Angel and discussed growing up as a "kid from Frankford" and how playgrounds helped him to grow. City Councilwoman Maria Quinones Sanchez was on hand to present Angel with a proclamation from Philadelphia City Council and thanked her for all of her work in the Frankford community.



Gizela Burnside, Kimberly Washington, Angel Brandan, Councilwoman Maria Quinones Sanchez and State Representative Jason Dawkins as Angel's granddaughter looks on.



Facility Supervisor Steve Schmidt, Angel Brandon, Councilwoman Maria Quinones Sanchez



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