

**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 3-85**

**WHEREAS**, the neighborhoods of the City of Philadelphia have long and valued histories of contributions to the City as a whole; and

**WHEREAS**, the policies which affect our neighborhoods affect the very life of our City; and

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to strengthen the voice of neighborhoods in our administration;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, W. Wilson Goode, Mayor of the City of Philadelphia by the authority of Section 3-100(h) of the Home Rule Charter of the City of Philadelphia, do hereby establish the Mayor's Commission on Neighborhoods.

**SECTION 1. Purpose**

A. The Commission shall provide a focus for issues of concern to the City's neighborhoods.

B. The Commission shall advise the administration on issues and policies affecting the City's neighborhoods.

C. The Commission shall study the services the City provides in our communities and recommend ways to maximize these services.

**SECTION 2. Organization and Membership**

A. The Commission shall be comprised of no more than 50 persons including representatives of:

- (1) The Executive Director of the City Planning Commission
- (2) The Commissioner of Licenses and Inspections
- (3) The Commissioner of Health
- (4) The Commissioner of Recreation
- (5) The Commissioner of Police
- (6) The Executive Director of the Mayor's Office of Community Services
- (7) The Executive Director of the Mayor's Action Center
- (8) The Director of Commerce
- (9) The Director of the Office of Housing
- (10) The President of the Private Industry Council
- (11) The Executive Director of the Philadelphia Corporation on Aging
- (12) The Executive Director of the Energy Coordinating Agency
- (13) Other government agencies as may be requested to participate
- (14) A broad group of persons who have actively worked in their communities, neighborhoods and civic groups over a period of time.

B. The Members of the Commission shall serve at the pleasure of the Mayor. The terms of appointment shall be no more than two years. Appointments may be renewed upon expiration.

C. The Mayor shall appoint two persons to Chair the Commission during its first term. The Commission may select or elect other officers as needed.

D. Members of the Commission shall serve without salary.

E. The Commission shall adopt its own rules of procedure and internal organization.

F. The Commission shall convene regularly at such times and places it may by rule designate.

G. The Commission shall hold public meetings in different neighborhoods of the City to discuss issues of importance to these communities.

H. The Commission shall issue an annual report to the Mayor on its activities.

### SECTION 3. Duties

The Commission shall operate consistent with all applicable laws including those of the United States, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and with the Home Rule Charter of the City of Philadelphia.

### SECTION 4. Effective Date

This Order shall be effective immediately.

April 25, 1985  
DATE

  
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W. WILSON GOODE