EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 01-01

REWARD FOR CITIZEN INFORMATION ON CRIMES

WHEREAS, it is of great assistance to the Police Department in solving crimes and gathering evidence to convict perpetrators if citizens with knowledge of the crime come forward to provide information; and

WHEREAS, it has been demonstrated that the opportunity to receive or share in a monetary reward sometimes induces a citizen with such information to overcome their initial reluctance to become involved; and

WHEREAS, certain crimes are of such impact on the City that it is desirable to utilize additional City resources to assist the Police Department;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John F. Street, Mayor of the City of Philadelphia, by the power vested in me by the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter, do hereby order and declare as follows:

SECTION 1. There shall be created a fund out of available appropriations for the purpose of distributing cash rewards in accordance with the provisions of this Order.

SECTION 2. The Police Commissioner shall have the discretion to identify particular crimes that are within jurisdiction of the Police Department to investigate, prior to the arrest and conviction of the perpetrator, and offer a reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the crime.

SECTION 3. The Police Commissioner shall have the sole discretion to determine the amount of the reward to be offered, the criteria that an individual must meet to be eligible for the reward, and which, if any, persons meet the criteria. The Police Commissioner may authorize distribution of the reward money as appropriate.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Order shall be effective immediately.

Date

John F. Street, Mayor