

## EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 9-11

### TEMPORARY CURFEW

**WHEREAS**, in recent weeks, large groups of teenagers and young adults have organized themselves in so-called “flash mobs” and have assaulted, robbed and injured individuals in Center City and other parts of the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the conditions created by violent “flash mobs” portend injury and damage for, among others, the victims of their assaults; bystanders who may seek to assist the victims; surrounding businesses where the “flash-mob” incidents and consequent police activity occur; uninvolved teenagers who may be difficult to distinguish from the perpetrators; and the perpetrators themselves; and

**WHEREAS**, the conditions created by the “flash-mob” assailants threaten the safety and vibrancy of residential and business communities where the incidents occur, thereby undermining the local economy and creating a situation in need of immediate redress;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Michael A. Nutter, Mayor of the City of Philadelphia, by the powers vested in me by the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter and pursuant to Section 10-819 of The Philadelphia Code, do hereby **ORDER** as follows:

**SECTION 1.** Within the areas identified in Section 2, below, no person under the age of 18 shall remain in or upon any public place; any privately owned place of business carried on for profit; or any place of amusement or entertainment to which the public is invited, from 9:00 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays until 6:00 A.M. the following day, unless said person is accompanied by a parent, guardian or person 21 years of age or older, responsible for the care and custody of the minor; is doing an errand or other legitimate business as directed by the person's parents; is engaged in gainful lawful employment during the curfew hours; or is on active duty in the Armed Service of the United States.

**SECTION 2.** The provisions of this Order shall apply within the following boundaries:

(a) Between the Schuylkill River and the Delaware River, from Vine Street (inclusive) to Bainbridge Street (inclusive).

(b) Between 38<sup>th</sup> Street and 43<sup>rd</sup> Street, from Market Street to Baltimore Avenue (all inclusive).

**SECTION 3.** No operator of any place of business or any place of amusement or entertainment to which the public is invited shall knowingly permit any person to remain upon the premises in violation of this Order.

**SECTION 4.** No parent shall knowingly permit any minor to remain in or upon any public place or any establishment in violation of this Order. Absent clear evidence to the contrary, a parent shall be presumed to have knowledge of the minor's violation of this Order.

**SECTION 5.** Pursuant to Section 10-819 of The Philadelphia Code, any person who violates any provision of this Order shall be subject to a fine of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100) nor more than three hundred dollars (\$300), or imprisonment for a term not to exceed ninety days, or both.

**SECTION 6.** This Order shall be effective immediately, and shall expire two weeks thereafter, unless extended by further Order.

8/8/11  
Date

  
Michael A. Nutter, Mayor