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Municipal ID

Government issued photo identification is an essential part of modern life, often a necessary means to opening a bank account, cashing a check, signing a lease, seeing a doctor at a hospital, borrowing a library book, filing a police report, or registering a child for school. Philadelphia's Municipal ID program will unlock doors for hundreds of thousands of City residents who presently lack access to those modern every day necessities, by affording *all* residents the right to a City-issued photo identification card that is secure, affordable, and accessible.

Philadelphia's Municipal ID program, a joint effort of Councilwoman Maria Quiñones Sánchez and Mayor Jim Kenney, will incorporate the best practices of similar municipal identification programs in New York, San Francisco, Washington, and Los Angeles.

In authorizing the City of Philadelphia to authorize a Municipal ID to all city residents who demonstrate proof of identity and residency, the program will benefit all City residents and businesses by affording to cardholders:

- A secure and affordable photo identification card, displaying a cardholder's name, address, date of birth, and place of residence, but not his or her gender;
- Access to services provided by all City agencies and City-funded entities; and
- Cardholder benefits, discounts, and memberships through City partnerships with banks and credit unions, local businesses, healthcare providers, libraries, museums, entertainment venues, and cultural institutions.