

## City of Pittsburgh

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## **Text File**

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Whereas, *The Milk Truck* is the creation of Jill Miller - artist and faculty member in the School of Art at Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh - who believes babies should be able to eat anywhere and everywhere; and,

**Whereas**, *The Milk Truck* is managed collaboratively by Tara McElfresh, who oversees *The Milk Truck's* fundraising, public relations, and it's transition into a non-profit organization; and,

Whereas, The Milk Truck's primary mission is to help hungry babies eat by providing a supportive environment for women to nurse; and

Whereas, The Milk Truck is a combination of guerilla theater, activism and a little humor; and,

Whereas, *The Milk Truck* creates a mobile breastfeeding unit that allows mothers to feed their babies in places where they have been discouraged - restaurants, shopping malls, public spaces, etc; and

**Whereas,** the truck will be dispatched when a woman who is breast-feeding anywhere is harassed or asked to nurse in a bathroom. Calling, texting, tweeting or posting the problem and location will summon The Milk Truck and activate the "mobile breast-feeding unit;" and,

Whereas, *The Milk Truck* will also make regular rounds on its "Pump Route" to offer a private, clean space for women to pump breast milk at work; and

Whereas, *The Milk Truck* will also visit businesses and events that are breastfeeding-friendly to celebrate their commitment to the health and welfare of babies in the Pittsburgh region; and,

**Whereas,** *The Milk Truck* will be featured in the 2011 Pittsburgh Biennial at the Andy Warhol Museum from September 17 - December 10.

**Now, therefore be it resoloved** that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize *The Milk Truck* for delivering an important public service by ensuring that babies are nourished when and wherever needed; and,

**Be it further resolved**, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Tuesday, September 13, 2011 **The Milk Truck Day** in the City of Pittsburgh.