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Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Safety, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into a cooperative agreement or agreements with various entities and/or individuals regarding a Safer Together Pittsburgh program initiative entitled "Promised Beginnings" that facilitates parent mentoring. Said agreement(s) shall be at no cost to the City.

Be it resolved by the Council of the City of Pittsburgh as follows:

Section 1. The Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Safety are hereby authorized, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into a cooperative agreement or agreements with qualified child development and professional representatives regarding Safer Together Pittsburgh, "Promised Beginnings", a City initiative that facilitates parent mentoring and is intended to promote kindergarten readiness to parents of children ages birth to kindergarten. These entities and individuals include, but are not limited to, the Pennsylvania Western Regional Office of Child Development and Early Learning, Keystone Stars, Pittsburgh Public Schools, The Pittsburgh Promise, The University of Pittsburgh Reddy Freddy Program, Dr. Rachelle C. Prioleau and Joan Mills. The Safer Together Pittsburgh, "Promised Beginnings" parent mentoring initiative will provide cooperative strategies between the City and outside entities to promote the following goals: healthy learning environments in the homes of families within the City of Pittsburgh; helping parents gain knowledge of the stages of child development; developing better communication skills in an effort to foster positive interaction between parents and their infants and toddlers; enabling parents to take an active role in raising children who are ready and willing to learn as they enter kindergarten and putting these children on the path to The Pittsburgh Promise.

These goals will be accomplished through workshops run in partnership between the Department of Public Safety Community Outreach team and outside entities or individuals utilizing presentation materials provided by qualified child development and other professional representatives. The term of said agreement(s) shall commence no earlier than April 1, 2015 and end no later than December 31, 2018. Said agreement(s) shall be at no cost to the City and shall be approved as to form and substance by the City Solicitor.