

A RESOLUTION honoring Dr. Ruth Patrick and designating the Ruth Patrick River Garden.

WHEREAS, Dr. Ruth Patrick, Francis Boyer Chair of Limnology at the Academy of Natural Sciences and honorary chair of the Academy's Board of Trustees, is a noted environmental scientist who set today's standard for evaluating the environmental health of rivers and streams; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Patrick spent much of her illustrious career studying the main stem Delaware and its many tributaries, including valuable analyses of ambient water quality and water quality impacts and used the Tinicum Marsh in an acclaimed study to determine the value of tidal wetlands in maintaining water quality; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Patrick first studied the Delaware River in 1945, conducted diatom studies in the Delaware River tributaries for the Interstate Commission on the Delaware River Basin (Incodel) in the 1950's and supported the creation of the Delaware River Basin Commission; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Patrick has lived and worked in the Delaware Basin her whole professional career; and

WHEREAS, the courtyard is an underutilized space that could provide an opportunity for education on river basin management and could function as a gathering space and an amenity for commissioners, visitors and staff; and

WHEREAS, the Commission wishes to enhance the DRBC courtyard and connect the new space with our mission of river basin management; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has selected a concept design plan that highlights the Delaware Basin from its headwaters to the estuary; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Delaware River Basin Commission:

1. The Commission is committed to development of the courtyard space based upon the attached concept plan highlighting the Delaware River Basin.
2. The re-developed courtyard will be named the Ruth Patrick River Garden in honor of Dr. Patrick's dedication to the Delaware River Basin.

/s/ Kevin C. Donnelly

Kevin C. Donnelly, Chairman *pro tem*

/s/ Pamela M. Bush

Pamela M. Bush, Esquire, Commission Secretary

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