

ODE TO PHILADELPHIA

BY MARY MANCE

THIS IS AN ODE TO PHILADELPHIA, THE CITY OF BROTHERLY LOVE.
THE CITY THAT HAS SHOWN ME MOTHERLY LOVE WHEN I NEED IT
COMMUNITY EVERYWHERE I GO, EVEN IF I CAN'T SEE IT.

PHILLY... PHILADELPHIA GOT SO MUCH HEART YOU MIGHT HEAR AN
EAGLE CRY.

AS IT FLIES OVER, IT MIGHT SEE THE PHILLIES FLY, NEVER SEEN A CITY
FLYER

ALTHOUGH EVERY PART OF PHILADELPHIA AIN'T PRETTY
THERE IS BEAUTY SPREAD FROM KENSINGTON TO CENTER CITY
FROM THE BOULEVARD TO MARKET ST, TO CECIL B MOORE
COBBLESTONE STREETS AND OLD TROLLEY TRACKS
REMIND ME HISTORY IS STORED HERE.

REMINDS ME THAT THIS COUNTRY WAS QUITE LITERALLY BORN
HERE!

HOW AMAZING IT IS TO BE STANDING IN HISTORY.

SOMETHING ABOUT THIS CITY JUST BLOOMS DIFFERENTLY.

THIS COMMUNITY COMES TOGETHER TO FIGHT THE GOOD FIGHT
MAKING SURE EVERYONE HAS EQUAL ACCESS TO THEIR RIGHTS AND
CIVIL LIBERTIES

WHEN WE COME TOGETHER, THE POSSIBILITIES ARE ENDLESS
WE MAKE SENSE OF THE SENSELESS AND GET PEOPLE TO LISTEN
EVERY DAY WE MAKE THESE CHOICES.

RAISE OUR VOICES AND HANDS FOR THOSE WHO ARE VOICELESS AND
WE DO THIS ON PURPOSE.

WITH PURPOSE, DOING SO MUCH UNDER THE SURFACE.

THE BAR FOUNDATION STANDS IN ITS COMMITMENT TO SERVICE.

PROMOTING EQUAL ACCESS TO JUSTICE SINCE 1964

SIXTY YEARS LATER AND WE ARE STILL ON THIS COURSE

PHILADELPHIA... THE CITY OF BROTHERLY LOVE

THERE IS STILL MUCH WORK TO BE DONE

BUT THIS CITY IS STILL NUMBER ONE IN MY HEART

PHILADELPHIA IS WHERE I'LL SAY I GOT MY START

PHILADELPHIA SO RICH IN ITS CULTURE AND ITS ART

THIS CITY IN WHICH I AM NEVER ALONE.

PHILADELPHIA, THE CITY I AM PROUD TO CALL HOME.



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