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MAYORAL CANDIDATES' REVEAL VISION FOR SUSTAINABLE PHILADELPHIA, OCT. 15

PHILADELPHIA —The candidates for mayor of Philadelphia will outline their plans for a sustainable Philadelphia on Monday, Oct. 15, in a free forum hosted by The Academy of Natural Sciences.

Democrat Michael Nutter and Republican Al Taubenberger will discuss their visions and answer questions from the public in a forum titled "The Next Mayor's Vision for a Sustainable Philadelphia" starting at 7:30 p.m. The program will be moderated by Flaivia Monteiro Colgan, Daily News editorial board member and MSNBC commentator. An informal reception will be held from 7 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The forum and reception are free and open to the public, but reservations are required. To reserve a seat, contact Joe Soprani 215 988-8788 or forum@pennhort.org.

The Urban Sustainability Forum, a coalition of city environmental advocate groups, last year set a goal to make Philadelphia the greenest, most livable city in America by improving its environment, economy and quality of life. The forum featuring Nutter and Taubenberger is part of the public idea exchange and dialogue that has ensued with the idea of meeting the goal by 2016.

The forum is presented by The Academy of Natural Sciences' Town Square program, Next Great City, Pennsylvania Horticultural Society and The Urban Sustainability Forum. The forum is made possible by the generous donations of the Environmental Associates of The Academy of Natural Sciences and the Claneil Foundation.

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The Academy is located at 1900 Benjamin Franklin Parkway and is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and weekends until 5 p.m. Admission is \$10 for adults, \$8 for children ages 3-12, seniors, college students with I.D. and military personnel, and free for children under 3. There is an additional \$2 fee for "Butterflies!"

The Academy of Natural Sciences, the oldest natural science research museum in the Americas, is a world leader in biodiversity and environmental research. The mission of the Academy is the encouragement and cultivation of the sciences.