

§ 9-1102. Definitions. 845

(1) For purposes of this Chapter the following terms shall have the following meanings:

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(q) Life Partner. A member of a Life Partnership that is verified pursuant to § 9-1123(1) (relating to verification of life partnerships).

(r) Life Partnership. A long-term committed relationship between two unmarried individuals of the same gender who: (.1) are residents of the City of Philadelphia; or one of whom is employed in the City, owns real property in the City, owns and operates a business in the City, or is a recipient of or has a vested interest in employee benefits from the City of Philadelphia; (.2) are at least 18 years old and competent to contract; (.3) are not related to each other by blood in any way which would prohibit marriage in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; (.4) have no other Life Partner but the other person; (.5) have not been a member of a different Life Partnership for the past twelve months unless the prior Life Partnership ended as a result of the death of the other Life Partner; (.6) agree to share the common necessities of life and to be responsible for each other's common welfare; (.7) share at least one residence with the other Life Partner; and (.8) agree under penalty of law to notify the Commission of any change in the status of the Life Partnership