

Israel, “Izzy” Colon

Director of Multicultural Affairs

Israel, “Izzy” Colon was appointed in 2008 by Mayor Nutter to serve as his Director of Multicultural Affairs. “Izzy” Colon has over 35 years of experience in city government and the non-profit sector with a focus on policy analysis, non-profit management, and community advocacy. For 15 years he served on the Philadelphia City Council where he helped improve access to opportunities for all the city’s residents and its culturally diverse neighborhoods. Izzy has served on the leadership of many local and national organizations including the National Institute for Latino Policy, National League of Cities, the Hunting Park CDC, the National Latino Voting Rights Network, the National Hispanic Media Coalition, ASPIRA, AMLA, and the ENPYS Coalition. Izzy earned a BA from the State University of New York and completed his graduate studies at Bucknell University. Born in Puerto Rico, Izzy has been a member of the Philadelphia community since 1976.