



# City of Philadelphia

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## RESOLUTION NO. 251112

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## RESOLUTION

Welcoming the FIFA World Cup 2026 Teams Playing in Philadelphia and Celebrating the World Cup's Contribution to Philadelphia's Global Economy.

WHEREAS, Philadelphia is a World Heritage City with a long tradition of historic firsts, creativity, cultural exchange, and civic innovation, and is committed to building an globally inclusive economy that works for working people; and

WHEREAS, In 2026, Philadelphia will host multiple FIFA World Cup matches, drawing worldwide attention and welcoming teams, supporters, and visitors from every corner of the globe—an opportunity that places Philadelphia squarely on the international stage and further cements its identity as an emerging global city; and

WHEREAS, Teams representing Brazil, France, Croatia, Ecuador, Haiti, Ghana, Curaçao, and the Ivory Coast will take the field in Philadelphia, bringing with them players, fans, and their own histories, cultures, and communities; and

WHEREAS, Philadelphia enthusiastically welcomes and celebrates these teams and their supporters, embracing the exchange of cultures, traditions, and perspectives that events like the World Cup make possible, and reaffirming the City's long-standing commitment to being a welcoming home for people from around the world; and

WHEREAS, In particular, The Committee on Global Opportunities and the Creative/Innovative Economy recognizes the World Cup as a catalyst for deepening Philadelphia's global relationships and strengthening cultural vibrancy across neighborhoods, and is committed to ensuring that international events translate into opportunities for working families, local artists, small businesses, and our multifaceted cultural identity; and

WHEREAS, Philadelphia's success as a durable global city depends not merely on hosting major events, but on aligning those moments with core values—equity, shared prosperity, and genuine community participation—so that the benefits of global attention reach every

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neighborhood and help sustain an affordable, thriving city for the people who live and work here; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, Hereby welcomes the FIFA World Cup 2026 Teams Playing in Philadelphia and Celebrating the World Cup's Contribution to Philadelphia's Global Economy.