

City of Philadelphia



Council of the City of Philadelphia
Office of the Chief Clerk
Room 402, City Hall
Philadelphia

(Resolution No. 250140)

RESOLUTION

Honoring and recognizing the Tesla Science Foundation (TSF) by declaring February 24th 2025 “Tesla Science Foundation Day” in the City of Philadelphia, celebrating the work of TSF in cultivating scientific innovation and advancing the legacy of Nikola Tesla in the City of Philadelphia.

WHEREAS, The Tesla Science Foundation (TSF) was founded in 2004 in Philadelphia when it was established as “Tesla’s Team of Inventors” with the mission of promoting Nikola Tesla’s life and legacy. Initially created as a collaborative space for inventors to work and learn together, the organization quickly discovered widespread interest in Tesla’s contributions to science and technology. This enthusiasm led to the formation of the Nikola Tesla Inventors Club, which has since flourished with branches across multiple cities and countries; and

WHEREAS, TSF’s work in Philadelphia has included an ongoing collaborating with American Paradigm Schools on the “Introducing Tesla to Schools in America” project, a curriculum that integrates Tesla’s principles of innovation into art, music, and science; and

WHEREAS, The Tesla Science Foundation has actively volunteered at the Franklin Institute for years, where they donated a Tesla bust now displayed in the Electricity Room, as well as providing live demonstrations of Tesla’s experiments that have attracted significant public interest. Additionally, their work with charter schools and local communities has played a vital role in introducing young people to Tesla’s scientific achievements, philosophy, and motivational programs; and

WHEREAS, February 24th is a significant day in the life of Nikola Tesla as on February 24th, 1893, Nikola Tesla delivered his groundbreaking speech “On Light and Other High Frequency Phenomena” at the Franklin Institute which marked a pivotal moment in the understanding of high-frequency electricity, laying the groundwork for future advancements in fields like wireless power transmission, radio technology, and much more; and

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WHEREAS, The Tesla Science Foundation hopes to continue their work in City of Philadelphia by expanding their educational programs throughout the City and establishing a new scientific conference to bring about the next generation of innovators; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That the Council hereby honors and recognize February 24th 2025 as “Tesla Science Foundation Day” in the City of Philadelphia and celebrates the work of TSF in cultivating scientific innovation and advancing the legacy of Nikola Tesla in the City of Philadelphia.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this Resolution be presented to the Tesla Science Foundation, as evidence of the sincere sentiments of this legislative body.

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CERTIFICATION: This is a true and correct copy of the original Resolution, Adopted by the Council of the City of Philadelphia on the twentieth day of February, 2025.

Kenyatta Johnson
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Elizabeth McCollum
CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmember Driscoll

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Driscoll, Phillips, Gilmore Richardson,
Gauthier, Lozada, Brooks, O'Rourke, Squilla and Ahmad