

City of Philadelphia



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

(Resolution No. 250189)

RESOLUTION

Resolution Recognizing March as Women's History Month in the City of Philadelphia

WHEREAS, Women's History Month began as a national celebration in 1981 when Congress passed Public Law 97-28, establishing the week of March 7th as the start of Women's History Month; and

WHEREAS, In 1987, Congress passed Public Law 100-9, extending the celebration to the entire month of March, officially designating March 1987 as "Women's History Month"; and

WHEREAS, Since 1995, Presidents have issued annual proclamations recognizing March as "Women's History Month," celebrating the numerous contributions women have made to the United States, and acknowledging the specific achievements of women across diverse fields throughout American history; and

WHEREAS, The City of Philadelphia will join the Nation in honoring and celebrating the invaluable contributions and achievements of women, with a particular focus on the remarkable women in the City of Philadelphia; and

WHEREAS, According to the U.S. Census Bureau, women comprise 52.6% of Philadelphia's population, reflecting the City's position as one of the major metropolitan areas in the country with one of the highest ratios of women to men; and

WHEREAS, Women of every socio-economic background have made significant, historic contributions to the growth, development, and resilience of the City of Philadelphia, shaping its culture, economy, and society; and

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WHEREAS, The City of Philadelphia celebrates and acknowledges the diverse roles women play in shaping local communities, from leading grassroots organizations to making significant strides in healthcare, education, and environmental sustainability; and

WHEREAS, It is important to recognize that the contributions of women in Philadelphia have often been underrepresented and that the ongoing celebration of Women's History Month provides an opportunity to elevate their voices, ensure their achievements are acknowledged, and inspire future generations of women leaders; and

WHEREAS, The City of Philadelphia reaffirms its commitment to ensuring that women's rights and contributions are recognized year-round, fostering an environment of inclusion, opportunity, and respect for women in all sectors of society; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF PHILADELPHIA, That it hereby recognizes March as Women's History Month in the City of Philadelphia

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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 sixth day of March, 2025.

Kenyatta Johnson
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Elizabeth McCollum
CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmember Bass for Lozada

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Bass, Lozada, Gilmore Richardson, Gauthier,
Landau and Ahmad