

City of Philadelphia



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

(Resolution No. 230213)

RESOLUTION

Honoring and Congratulating the Students of Walter B. Saul High School for Earning a Gold Medal at the 2023 Philadelphia Flower Show.

WHEREAS, Walter B. Saul (W.B. Saul) is a magnet high school located in the Roxborough neighborhood of Philadelphia. W.B. Saul seeks to provide students with an education centered on agriculture and farm mechanics. Saul is located on a 130-acre campus and is the largest agricultural farm school in the United States; and

WHEREAS, The Philadelphia Flower Show is the nation's largest and longest-running horticultural event and features the world's premier floral and landscape designers; and

WHEREAS, The 2023 Philadelphia Flower Show ran from March 4th-12th at the Pennsylvania Convention Center. The 2023 theme for the show is "Garden Electric." This year's event also featured some of the largest gardens in its history, with several creators designing immersive, 360-degree floral scapes that range in size from 2,200 to 2,900 square feet; and

WHEREAS, Students from W.B. Saul have been competing in the Philadelphia Flower Show for the past 30 years. Each year, students choose a different color in which they base their theme; and

WHEREAS, Taking inspiration from the Show's theme, the students chose the color electric blue as the highlight of their exhibit. The students created an incredible artistic display that featured a mannequin in a blue gown accented with flowers. The figure stood below a pergola covered in vines and on a terrace covered in a variety of flower beds; and

WHEREAS, The students' inspiration for this design came from what they lost due to COVID-19. The exhibit was inspired by students lost opportunity to attend their high school prom, and the exhibit was made to transport visitors to the scene of a garden gala; and

WHEREAS, The Philadelphia Flower Show awards medals for three categories of exhibitors based on different criteria to celebrate creativity and exceptional execution. Exhibits are scored

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and awards are given based on design, horticultural excellence, construction and craftsmanship; and

WHEREAS, At the 2023 Flower Show, students at W.B. Saul were awarded a Gold Medal for their outstanding work and design; and

WHEREAS, The dedicated work of the students of W.B. Saul High School, and their award-winning exhibit at the flower show should be honored and commemorated; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, that it hereby honors and congratulates the students of Walter B. Saul High School for earning a Gold Medal at the 2023 Philadelphia Flower Show.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an engrossed copy of this Resolution be presented to the students of W.B. Saul High School as a sign of the admiration and respect 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 sixteenth day of March, 2023.

Darrell L. Clarke
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Michael A. Decker
CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmember Jones

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Jones, Driscoll, Squilla, Gauthier, Vaughn, Bass, Lozada, Harrity, Gilmore Richardson, Phillips, Brooks and Thomas