

# City of Philadelphia



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

(Resolution No. 250816)

## RESOLUTION

Recognizing October 6 to October 10, 2025, as Digital Inclusion Week in the City of Philadelphia.

WHEREAS, Digital inclusion is the work to ensure that all communities and individuals, including the most disadvantaged have access to and use of information and communication technologies, including technical support, digital literacy training, affordable robust broadband internet, access to internet enabled devices that meet the needs of the user, online content that enables and encourages self-sufficiency, participation, and collaboration; and

WHEREAS, Digital Inclusion Week is a week-long event that occurs every year during the first week of October to raise awareness about digital inclusion and digital equity. This event seeks to address the ongoing challenges that many individuals face when attempting to access digital resources and tools due to inadequate digital literacy, lack of digital devices, and limited access to internet; and

WHEREAS, The National Digital Inclusion Alliance created Digital Inclusion Week to highlight the importance of digital equity, increasing digital equity solutions, digital literacy, and celebrating the outstanding efforts by communities to promote digital inclusion. Digital Inclusion Week supports digital inclusion practitioners and advocates, educates policymakers, the media, and potential partners about the need for digital equity and the work of local digital inclusion programs, advocates for local, state, and federal policies to promote digital equity and supports local digital inclusion strategies; and

WHEREAS, Digital inclusion requires an increase in investments and intentional strategies to assist in decreasing the institutional, historical, and structural barriers to use and access technology. The impact of digital inclusion has grown into a complex issue due to limited funding, digital skills, and inadequate access to digital devices; and

WHEREAS, The result of digital inclusion is digital equity, where all individuals and communities have the information technology capacity needed for full participation in our

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society, democracy and economy. Digital equity is necessary for civic and cultural participation, employment, lifelong learning, and access to essential services; and

WHEREAS, Philadelphia is home to a wide variety of organizations working to improve digital literacy, digital inclusion, and towards digital equity, including but not limited to Technology Learning Collaborative, Beyond Literacy, CEIBA, Coded By, Comcast, CCP, Drexel University, Esperanza, Generations Online, JEVS Humans Services, Movement Alliance Project, Philadelphia Works Philly CAM, Philly Community Wireless, SEAMAAC, Temple University, the Technology Learning Collaborative, T-Mobile, The United Way, and Verizon, who empower, serve, impact, teach, and inspire families, helping them navigate digital literacy, creating opportunities for the next generation of innovators, and providing equitable access to digital tools and resources to help bridge the digital divide; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, Hereby recognizes October 6 to October 10, 2025, as Digital Inclusion Week in the City of Philadelphia.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this Resolution will be presented to Technology Learning Collaborative 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 twenty-fifth day of September, 2025.

Kenyatta Johnson  
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Elizabeth McCollum  
CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmember Landau

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Landau, Phillips, Harrity, Driscoll, O'Neill and Squilla