

City of Philadelphia



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

(Resolution No. 241095)

RESOLUTION

Recognizing Ordinarie Heroes for their work engaging Black and Brown youth in the Hunting Park community.

WHEREAS, Ordinarie Heroes is a Black-led nonprofit organization that addresses educational and health disparities within under-resourced communities; and

WHEREAS, The IE in their name stands for I'm Enough because we believe 'ordinary' people can create real change; and

WHEREAS, The mission of Ordinarie Heroes is to inspire the next generation, empower the community, and transform the world through the lives of ordinary people; and

WHEREAS, In Philadelphia Black and Brown young people face a range of systemic challenges that hinder growth and potential; and

WHEREAS, These barriers are compounded by exposure to violence, trauma, and lack of mental health resources can impact emotional well being and success; and

WHEREAS, Ordinarie Heroes believes in the power of youth and provides young people with the necessary tools they need to overcome the unique challenges they face; and

WHEREAS, Their programs provide safe spaces where young people refine their leadership skills, amplify their voices, and become the change agents they are meant to be; and

WHEREAS, Ordinarie Heroes serves over 40 young people per month through hands-on gardening experiences, leadership sessions, and nutrition education; and

WHEREAS, Their health and wellness workshops reach over 150 community members annually; and

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WHEREAS, Ordinarie Heroes believes in the power of collaboration and is partnered with over 10 local organizations to create more meaningful change; and

WHEREAS, Their mobile food pantry, community garden, and outreach programs assist individuals and families battling food insecurity; and

WHEREAS, Ordinarie Heroes has been able to deliver 25,000 pounds of food and serve over 2,000 people each year with dignity and respect; and

WHEREAS, The work done by Director of Programs Shatea Timbers, Inspire Program Coordinator Na 'Lah Walker; Inspire Program Coordinator Darnell Gregg; Inspire Program Mentor Akinrinsola Solebo; Photography Program Coordinator Jeffrey Hecdivert; S.O.W. Hope Mobile Pantry Coordinator Isabella Virgi; S.O.W. Hope Educational Farm Coordinator Ash Meadows; S.O.W. Hope Project Manager Alonzo Middleton; and Founder and Executive Director Ronald Toles Jr. deserves special acknowledgement; and

WHEREAS, Ordinarie Heroes is committed to helping every young person discover their strengths, build leadership skills, and create meaningful change in their communities, and they believe that each young person has the potential to change the world; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That it hereby recognizes Ordinarie Heroes for their work with Black and Brown youth in the Hunting Park community.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the Ordinarie Heroes as evidence of the true and sincere 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 twenty-first day of November, 2024.

Kenyatta Johnson
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Elizabeth McCollum
INTERIM CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmember Young

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