

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

(Resolution No. 241097)

RESOLUTION

Honoring the Simon Gratz High School Football Team for winning the 2024 Public League Championship and celebrating their resilience and excellence.

WHEREAS, The Simon Gratz High School Bulldogs have demonstrated exceptional determination, perseverance, and teamwork in capturing the 2024 Philadelphia Public League Football Championship, bringing immense pride and recognition to their school and community; and

WHEREAS, The Bulldogs achieved this historic victory despite significant challenges, including competing on a home field with substandard conditions that posed difficulties for both practices and games, underscoring their unwavering commitment to excellence; and

WHEREAS, The team's ability to rise above such adversity is a powerful testament to the resilience, dedication, and discipline of the student-athletes, the visionary leadership of their coaching staff, and the steadfast support of their families, teachers, and fans; and

WHEREAS, Simon Gratz High School's championship win is a shining example of the power of grit, unity, and the pursuit of greatness, inspiring countless Philadelphians to persevere in the face of obstacles; and

WHEREAS, The Bulldogs' extraordinary success not only highlights their talent and determination but also underscores the critical need for equitable investment in resources and facilities for all Philadelphia public school athletes; and

WHEREAS, The City Council of Philadelphia recognizes the Simon Gratz High School Bulldogs for their remarkable achievement and commends their ability to overcome challenging conditions while embodying the spirit of perseverance and excellence; and

WHEREAS, This legislative body remains committed to advocating for improved athletic facilities across Philadelphia schools, ensuring that every student-athlete has access to safe and equitable environments in which to train, compete, and succeed; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, Hereby honors and congratulates the Simon Gratz High School Football Team for their outstanding achievement in winning the 2024 Public League Football Championship, celebrating their resilience, dedication, and legacy of excellence.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Simon Gratz High School as a symbol of the City Council's profound admiration and appreciation for their inspiring accomplishment.

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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 Bass

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Bass, Phillips, Gilmore Richardson, Gauthier,

Thomas, Jones, Landau, Lozada, Young, Brooks, Harrity,

O'Rourke, Driscoll, Squilla and Ahmad