

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

(Resolution No. 240341)

#### RESOLUTION

Recognizing and congratulating the Champion of the Week, Buddy Martinez of Timoteo Sports, which utilizes athletics to engage with and mentor young people in the City of Philadelphia.

WHEREAS, Buddy Martinez is a 37 year-old Philadelphia native and has served Philadelphia's young people for 21 years; and

WHEREAS, Buddy Martinez has always had the heart to help serve the youth in Philadelphia. He was 16 years old when he first started serving the community at the Iglesia Del Barrio after school program. The youth he has mentored are usually labeled as "troubled" but Martinez states that they are "the most intelligent, creative, and most resilient youth"; and

WHEREAS, Timoteo Sports offers multiple sports programs including flag football, a volleyball club, a basketball league, and a summer camp, for which they hire youth summer camp counselors from the surrounding neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, Timoteo Sports also has the "More Than Sports" Initiative which incorporates mentorship and life coaching, tutoring, college application support, resume and cover letter writing, interview preparation, and connecting young people to career and job opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Timoteo Sports mentors Philadelphia's youth guiding them in the areas of spirituality, academics, career pursuits, and interpersonal growth. Timoteo often provides a much-needed physical and recreational outlet for young people in the inner city. Timoteo Sports serves over 600 youth each year with their programs and have over 60 coaches and assistant coach volunteers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That we recognize and congratulate the Champion of the Week, Buddy Martinez of Timoteo Sports, which utilizes athletics to engage with and mentor young people in the City of Philadelphia.

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FURTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this Resolution be presented to Buddy Martinez and Timoteo Sports, further evidencing the 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-fifth day of April, 2024.

Kenyatta Johnson PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Elizabeth McCollum INTERIM CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

- Introduced by: Councilmember Thomas
- Sponsored by: Councilmembers Thomas, O'Rourke, Landau, Squilla, Gilmore Richardson, Lozada, Phillips and Ahmad