

City of Philadelphia



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

(Resolution No. 110123)

RESOLUTION

Recognizing and Honoring the Philadelphia Gay News and its Publisher Mark Segal on 35 years of ground breaking journalism and civic commitment.

WHEREAS, In 1975, Mark Segal founded the Philadelphia Gay News (PGN), one of the nations earliest publications targeted to the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Trans Community (LGBT); and

WHEREAS, Mark Segal and PGN have been powerful advocates for LGBT causes, as well as producing exceptional journalism that serves the needs and interest of Philadelphia's gay community; and

WHEREAS, PGN has served as a true community paper and forum within the LGBT community as well as providing a platform to communicate with the broader Philadelphia community; and

WHEREAS, PGN broke barriers for many other LBGT targeted publications, working in alliance with other mainstream publications in Pennsylvania to gain admission to the Pennsylvania Newspaper's Association, a battle that took nearly 15 years; and

WHEREAS, PGN led a coalition of other LGBT publications to recognize October as Gay History Month; and

WHEREAS, The work of Mark Segal and PGN has broken barriers of intolerance and given a voice, platform, and recognition to Philadelphia's LGBT community.

RESOLVED THAT, The Philadelphia City Council hereby congratulates and honors Mark Segal and PGN on 35 years of dedicated service to the City of Philadelphia and its LGBT community. We recognize your courage and dedication to the City of Philadelphia, and wish you many more decades of continued success.

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FURTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to PGN and it's publisher Mark Segal as a sincere expression of City Council's appreciation and gratitude.

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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 third of March, 2011.

Anna C. Verna
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Michael A. Decker
CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmember Sanchez

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Sanchez, Greenlee, Jones, Kenney, Krajewski, Goode, Clarke, Tasco, Blackwell, Reynolds Brown, Miller and Green