

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

(Resolution No. 250154)

RESOLUTION

A resolution honoring and congratulating Universal Audenried High School senior guard Shayla Smith on her remarkable achievement as Philadelphia's All-Time Girls' Scoring Leader.

WHEREAS, Shayla Smith, a 17-year-old senior at Universal Audenried High School, demonstrates exceptional talent, dedication, and perseverance in basketball; and

WHEREAS, Smith's basketball journey began with pickup games in parks with her brothers, and despite never playing on an organized team until seventh grade, she quickly distinguished herself as a formidable athlete; and

WHEREAS, On February 17, 2023, as a sophomore, Smith reached 1,000 career points in only 49 games; the fastest girl to achieve this accolade in Public League history. The record was previously held by University City's Shawnetta Stewart, who accomplished this feat in 54 games in the mid-1990s; and

WHEREAS, On February 13, 2025, Smith solidified her place in basketball history by scoring 47 points against Engineering and Science, surpassing the Philadelphia Girls' All-Time Scoring record with a total of 2,502 career points, record previously set by Shawnetta Stewart in 1996; and

WHEREAS, Smith intends to keep pushing and plans to surpass Maureece Rice's record of 2,681 career points and become Philadelphia's All-Time Leading Scorer; and

WHEREAS, Beyond her individual accomplishments, Smith has been an integral leader for Audenried's team, guiding them to three consecutive Public League Championships and earning her the MVP title two years in a row; and

WHEREAS, Smith's commitment to excellence is evident in her relentless work ethic, arriving to school earlier than even the principal so she can train an hour and a half in the gym before beginning her academic day; and

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WHEREAS, Smith has committed to continuing her basketball career at Penn State and has ambitions of going to the WNBA; and

WHEREAS, This legislative body is excited to see this young athlete progress in her career and wishes her the best as she attends Penn State; now, therefore, be it,

RESOLVED, THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, Hereby honors and congratulates Audenried High School senior guard Shayla Smith on her remarkable achievement as Philadelphia's All-Time Girls' Scoring Leader.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this Resolution be presented to Shayla Smith as evidence of the sincere admiration 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 seventy seventh day of February.

Kenyatta Johnson PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Elizabeth McCollum
CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmember Council President Johnson

Sponsored by: Council President Johnson, Councilmembers Thomas, Phillips,

Gilmore Richardson, Gauthier, Jones, Landau, Lozada, Harrity,

O'Rourke, Driscoll, O'Neill, Squilla and Ahmad