

City of Philadelphia



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

(Resolution No. 250857)

RESOLUTION

Recognizing Friday Saturday Sunday, a Philadelphia culinary gem specializing in new American cuisine, for being ranked sixteenth on North America's 50 Best Restaurants List.

WHEREAS, The inaugural North America's 50 Best Restaurants list was released, celebrating culinary excellence across Canada, the Caribbean, and the United States, showcasing the region's diversity, creativity, and innovation in dining; and

WHEREAS, A group of 300 chefs, restaurateurs, journalists, educators and experienced diners anonymously ranked the restaurants to highlight the most outstanding restaurants on the continent; and

WHEREAS, The award ceremony took place on September 25, 2025, at Wynn Las Vegas, where the honorees were distinguished with red scarves and recognized for their remarkable contribution to the culinary arts; and

WHEREAS, Philadelphia had three restaurants featured on the list, a testament to the City's dynamic culinary landscape and rich cultural fabric. This kind of recognition comes at a pivotal moment, as Philadelphia prepares to take center stage for the nation's Semi quincennial celebration; and

WHEREAS, Friday Saturday Sunday first opened its doors in 1973 as a weekend-only restaurant, beloved by the neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, Chad and Hanna Williams purchased Friday Saturday Sunday in 2015 and renovated the space and the menu, offering expanded hours and an elevated and innovative culinary experience that combines French techniques with ingredients and ideas from the African diaspora; and

WHEREAS, The restaurant is celebrated for its innovative New American Cuisine, expertly crafted cocktails, and warm hospitality, contributing to the vibrant and diverse dining scene of the City; and

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WHEREAS, In 2023, Friday Saturday Sunday received the prestigious James Beard Award for Outstanding Restaurant, recognizing its excellence in the culinary arts; and

WHEREAS, Friday Saturday Sunday's recognition reflects not only its individual culinary excellence but also highlights Philadelphia's vibrant and world-class food scene on both the national and international stage; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, Hereby recognizes Friday Saturday Sunday, a Philadelphia culinary and hospitality gem, for being ranked sixteenth on North America's 50 Best Restaurants list.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this Resolution be presented to Friday Saturday Sunday as evidence of the sincere sentiments 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 ninth day of October, 2025.

Kenyatta Johnson
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Elizabeth McCollum
CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmember Thomas for Council President Johnson

Sponsored by: Council President Johnson, Councilmembers Thomas, Phillips, Gauthier, Landau, Brooks, Harrity, O'Neill, Squilla and Ahmad