

City of Philadelphia



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

(Resolution No. 240438)

RESOLUTION

Honoring and congratulating the Educator of the Month, William W. Sax, for his dedication to his students at South Philadelphia High School.

WHEREAS, William W. Sax is a dedicated educator currently teaching at South Philadelphia High School and serving as the building's union representative; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sax graduated from the University of Pittsburgh with three bachelor's degrees in African-American Studies, Social Studies, and Secondary Education, as well as a master's degree in Rehabilitation Counseling, completing his undergraduate studies in three years and his graduate degree in just one year while also participating in football, wrestling, and track; and

WHEREAS, Demonstrating his passion for education and African-American history, Mr. Sax created the only African American museum inside a Philadelphia school district building, paying thousands out of his own pocket to establish this unique educational resource at South Philadelphia High School; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sax has organized and funded numerous events, guest speakers, performers, and learning opportunities during Black History Month celebrations from 2020 to 2024 to enrich students' educational experiences; and

WHEREAS, Understanding the value of enriching field trips, Mr. Sax has taken over 5,000 students on educational adventures to Washington D.C., New York City, and other destinations; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sax's unwavering commitment to his students, his profession, and celebrating the achievements of African Americans and people of color has been recognized through the prestigious 2024 Lindback Distinguished Teacher Award; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That we honor and congratulate the Educator of the Month, William W. Sax, for his dedication to his students at South Philadelphia High School.

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FURTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to William Sax as an expression of the sincere respect and 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 ninth day of May, 2024.

Kenyatta Johnson
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Elizabeth McCollum
INTERIM CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmember Thomas

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Thomas, Squilla, Gauthier, O'Rourke,
Landau, Bass, Lozada, Brooks, Phillips and Harrity