

City of Philadelphia



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

(Resolution No. 250778)

RESOLUTION

Recognizing Jane Golden, honoring her life's work, legacy, and contribution as a fundamental pillar in the arts and culture community in the City of Philadelphia.

WHEREAS, In 1984, Golden was hired by Mayor Goode to lead the Anti-Graffiti Network, addressing the City's graffiti problem. This network allowed for Golden, alongside artist Kent Twitchell, to produce the infamous "Dr. J" mural, located on 1226 Ridge Ave; and

WHEREAS, Golden's securing of Sixers legend Julius Erving for the mural sealed the program's initiative, allowing for artists in the Anti-Graffiti Network to learn from a long line of talented artists in the country, enhancing their artistic knowledge and technique; and

WHEREAS, After the closure of the network, Golden founded Mural Arts Philadelphia in 1996, a non-profit organization that supports the creation of murals in the City of Philadelphia. The organization furthered the work of the network, helping give opportunities to different artists and teenagers; and

WHEREAS, The work Mural Arts Philadelphia has done has brought the City many important pieces across every zip code. The commitment the organization has to our City's arts and culture will continue to flourish and influence generations to come; and

WHEREAS, Today, the City of Philadelphia is home to more than 4,000 murals which has added another title to the City's many accomplishments: the Mural Capital of the World. This is an achievement many people from all over the globe will be able to see during Philadelphia's Semi quincennial in 2026; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF PHILADELPHIA, Hereby recognizes Jane Golden for her commitment and devotion to the arts, celebrating her for her over 40 years of service to our City.

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FURTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this Resolution will be presented to Jane Golden and Mural Arts Philadelphia as a sincere expression of the City Council of Philadelphia's gratitude and admiration.

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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 eighteenth day of September, 2025.

Kenyatta Johnson
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Elizabeth McCollum
CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmember Gauthier for Thomas

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Thomas, Gauthier, Phillips, Gilmore
Richardson, Jones, Landau, Lozada, Brooks, Harrity,
O'Rourke, Driscoll, Squilla and Ahmad