

City of Philadelphia



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

(Resolution No. 260148)

RESOLUTION

Recognizing and honoring the Imhotep Charter High School boys' basketball team for winning its sixth consecutive Public League Championship and celebrating its historic achievement in Philadelphia high school basketball.

WHEREAS, The Imhotep Charter High School Panthers secured a 39–35 victory over West Philadelphia High School in the 2026 Public League Boys' Basketball Championship at the John E. Glaser Arena at La Salle University; and

WHEREAS, The Panthers demonstrated resilience and composure in the final moments of the championship game, forcing two critical turnovers and converting late free throws by Zaahir Muhammad-Gray and Ian Smith to secure the victory; and

WHEREAS, Junior forward Zaahir Muhammad-Gray, who missed last year's championship due to a torn ACL, delivered an outstanding performance with 15 points and earned Most Valuable Player honors, exemplifying perseverance and dedication; and

WHEREAS, Under the steady leadership of Head Coach Andre Noble, the Panthers have now captured six consecutive Public League championships, becoming the first team in the more than 100-year history of the league to accomplish this remarkable feat; and

WHEREAS, Coach Noble, a Boston native who has become one of the most accomplished coaches in Philadelphia high school basketball history, has guided the Panthers to thirteen Public League championships overall, fostering excellence both on and off the court; and

WHEREAS, The Imhotep Panthers' 20–6 overall record and 9–1 league records this season reflect their discipline, teamwork, and unwavering commitment to achievement; and

WHEREAS, The City of Philadelphia takes great pride in the accomplishments of its student-athletes, whose dedication, sportsmanship, and character bring honor to their schools, families, and communities; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, Hereby congratulates and honors the Imhotep Charter High School boys' basketball team on winning its record-setting sixth consecutive Public League Championship, commends Head Coach Andre Noble and his staff for their exemplary leadership, and celebrates the players for their historic achievement; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this Resolution be presented to Imhotep Charter High School, further evidence of the sincere admiration and respect of the Council of the City of Philadelphia.

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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 twenty-sixth day of February, 2026.

Kenyatta Johnson
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Elizabeth McCollum
CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmember Bass

Sponsored by: Council President Johnson, Councilmembers Bass Phillips, Gauthier, Thomas, Jones, Landau, Lozada, Young, Brooks, Harrity, O'Rourke, Driscoll, O'Neill, Squilla and Ahmad