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Honoring and congratulating Zahav Restaurant for being named Outstanding Restaurant in 2019 by the James Beard Foundation.

WHEREAS, Zahav restaurant won the James Beard Foundation’s top prize in 2019 and is now recognized as the best restaurant in the United States.

WHEREAS, The James Beard Outstanding Restaurant Award, named after the father of American cuisine, is awarded annually to an exceptional eatery that has been in business for at least ten years.

WHEREAS, More than six hundred culinary professionals voted on the winners across twenty-three food, beverage, and design categories during the Beard Awards process.

WHEREAS, Zahav is first Philadelphia restaurant to receive this prestigious award which is often referred to as an Oscar of the culinary world.

WHEREAS, Head chef and co-owner, Michael Solomonov and his team create elevated and dynamic Israeli dishes and strive to bring the authentic flavors of Israel’s cultural heritage to Philadelphia.

WHEREAS, Mr. Solomonov was previously named Outstanding Chef in 2017 and pastry chef Camille Cogswell was named Rising Star Chef in 2018 for their work at Zahav.

WHEREAS, Zahav is one of the most sought-after dining destinations in Philadelphia and the East Coast with a routine waiting list of several months for a reservation.

WHEREAS, Zahav is so well known for its excellent dishes ranging from hummus to lamb to homemade bread

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and pastry that diners cannot make a wrong choice when they visit.

WHEREAS, The partners behind Zahav continue to expand in Philadelphia and beyond with three new restaurants planned for this year alone.

WHEREAS, Zahav, and the team behind it, continue to raise Philadelphia's already venerable profile as a culinary destination; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF PHILADELPHIA, Hereby honors and congratulates the Zahav restaurant team for achieving the Outstanding Restaurant Award from the James Beard Foundation and being recognized as the best restaurant in the United States.

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