

## Legislation Text

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Recognizing October as Philly Plays Scrabble Month.

**WHEREAS**, Literacy of its citizens is important to the city of Philadelphia, for its workforce, for parents to help their children, and for the City's economic vibrancy; and

**WHEREAS**, ASAP/After School Activities Partnerships and the Free Library of Philadelphia have shown that literacy is achieved in many ways; and

**WHEREAS**, Research has shown that Scrabble expands literacy skills while having fun; and

**WHEREAS**, During October, adults who love the game of Scrabble and are eager to share their skills with young people, either for pleasure or as competition, can foster learning and create a love of words and their meanings; and

**WHEREAS**, Those who enjoy playing competitively will have the opportunity to be involved in a non-rated championship match, bringing excitement to the City; now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Philadelphia City Council Recognizes October 2009 as "Philly Plays Scrabble Month", and is proud to honor those who highlight and support Scrabble as a means of developing a more literate population.

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, That an Engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to ASAP/After School Activities Partnerships and the Free Library of Philadelphia as a sincere sentiment of this legislative body.