

## Legislation Text

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Recognizing and Honoring the 2016 Winners of PHL LIVE Center Stage.

WHEREAS, PHL LIVE Center Stage is a music initiative established by Councilman David Oh as Chairman of the Committee on Global Opportunities and Creative/Innovative Economy; and

WHEREAS, PHL LIVE Center Stage provides local musicians with exciting opportunities to be discovered and promoted and to achieve success here in Philadelphia; and

WHEREAS, PHL LIVE Center Stage's performances and Award Show are structured across 10 different genres of music, bringing diverse musicians together. The 10 different genres are Rock, Hip-Hop, Jazz, Classical, Gospel, Country/Folk, World, Pop, R&B, and DJ. In addition, a "People's Choice" Award is selected as an 11th category; and

WHEREAS, This year's finalists performed live in prominent local venues: World Café Live, Milkboy, Hard Rock Cafe, Reformation Lutheran Church, the Clef Club of Jazz, Warmdaddy's, the Trinity Center for Urban Life, Coda, Voltage Lounge, and Fire and Ice; and

WHEREAS, The final winners for each genre, announced in December at the Trocadero Theatre during the 3rd Annual PHL LIVE Center Stage Award Show, were decided by judges who are considered experts in the industry; and

WHEREAS, The "People's Choice" award is voted on by the audience before and during the Award Show at the Trocadero Theatre; and

WHEREAS, The winning artists from each genre receive top prizes such as \$1000 cash, studio recording time, music videos, documentaries, and opening at major concerts; and

WHEREAS, The 2016 winner of the Rock category is RFA; and

WHEREAS, The 2016 winner of the Hip-Hop category is ReLive; and

WHEREAS, The 2016 winner of the Jazz category is Laurin Talese; and

WHEREAS, The 2016 winner of the Classical category is Jessica Rose Nelson; and

WHEREAS, The 2016 winner of the Gospel category is the St. Thomas Gospel Choir; and

WHEREAS, The 2016 winner of the Country/Folk category is The Band of Rivals; and

WHEREAS, The 2016 winner of the World category is Jakeya; and

WHEREAS, The 2016 winner of the Pop category is Brooke DiCaro; and

WHEREAS, The 2016 winner of the R&B category is Boots Greene; and

WHEREAS, The 2016 winner of the DJ category is DJ Domino; and

WHEREAS, The 2016 winner of the “People’s Choice” category is Kendal Conrad; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That it hereby recognizes and honors the 2016 Winners of PHL LIVE Center Stage.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of the resolution be presented to Coors Light as evidence of the gratitude of this legislative body.