POLISH AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH. STO LAT!

Body we are honored and enthusiastically declare October as Polish American Heritage Month. As a legislative body, we are pleased to participate in the celebration of Polish American Heritage Month. Throughout the 1970’s and 80’s, Poles stood alone in support of freedom against communist tyranny, became the beacon of hope for all other Eastern bloc countries, proved it was possible for small countries to achieve their national identity and break away from the U.S.S.R. and Poles have made outstanding contributions to science, technology, music, art and literature and. Where as, The Polish American community has so many outstanding accomplishments of which to be proud, including those of Pope John Paul II, who shared the Polish heritage, and was one of the most influential religious leaders and. Where as, Throughout the 1970’s and 80’s, Poles stood alone in their struggle for freedom against communist tyranny, became the beacon of hope for all other Eastern bloc countries, proved it was possible for small countries to achieve their national identity and break away from the U.S.S.R. and Poles have made outstanding contributions to science, technology, music, art and literature and. Where as, The concept of designating a special month in which to celebrate the Polish Heritage began in Pennsylvania in 1981, at the suggestion of Michael Blichasz, a Polish American activist in Philadelphia. In 1986, Blichasz, President of the Eastern Pennsylvania District of the Polish American Congress and of the Polish American Cultural Center in Philadelphia, made a proposal at the national PAC meeting that Polish American Heritage Month be celebrated nationally each October, Now therefore, the members of City Council of Philadelphia extend their best wishes and congratulations. As a legislative body, we are honored and enthusiastically declare October as POLISH AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH. STO LAT!

Signed by: Anna C. Verna, President Joan L. Krajewski, 6th District

As the City Controller of Philadelphia between 1988 and 2005, I had the pleasure of working with Polonia and seeing first-hand your commitment to the preservation of the customs and traditions of your ancestors from Poland. As you mark the 25th Anniversary of the founding of Polish American Heritage Month, I proudly congratulate you and look forward to our working together for many years into the future. Sto Lat!

J jonathan Saidel

I am pleased and proud to recognize the 25th Anniversary of the Polish American Heritage Month Committee in Philadelphia. The history and progress of our nation have been built on a combination of talents, culture, and traditions of millions of immigrants from many countries, including Poland, who came to America seeking better lives for themselves and their children. I wish all of my Polish friends an enjoyable heritage month celebration. Your contributions to our city are countless and you are an integral part of the fabric of America!

Anna C. Verna, President City Council of Philadelphia

As a proud Polish American, I am especially honored to congratulate the Philadelphia Polonia as it celebrates the 25th Anniversary of Polish American Heritage Month. It is my hope that all citizens realize that they can draw strength from their cultural heritage as they continue to contribute to the building of America!

Honorable Bernice Soban DeAngelis Philadelphia Traffic Court

In appreciation for your positive contribution to the City of Philadelphia and in recognition of this festive occasion, I wish you continued success. Sto Lat!

Alan L. Butkovitz Philadelphia City Controller

I am proud to have been part of this effort since its founding in 1981. I know as a Councilwoman in the City of Philadelphia, which has a vibrant Polish community, Polonia has a lot to be proud of. Keep up the good work!

Councilwoman Joan Krajewski 6th District Philadelphia, PA

The Polish American Community remains an outstanding ethnic group in the City of Philadelphia, the State of Pennsylvania, and across the United States. Congratulations on the 25th Anniversary of the founding of Polish American Heritage Month in 1981!

Councilman Frank Rizzo Council-At-Large, City of Philadelphia

My best wishes to the Polish American Community as you mark the 25th Anniversary of the founding of Polish American Heritage Month in the City of Philadelphia. I just want you to know that it is my privilege to work with you.

Councilman Juan Ramos Council-At-Large City of Philadelphia

Additional 25th Anniversary Wishes to the Polish American Heritage Month Committee have also been extended from the following Philadelphia officials:


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