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### **Common Council Declares the Week of June 19 as 518 Black Restaurant Week**

**ALBANY, NY** –The Albany Common Council on June 5 declared the week of June 19 as 518 Black Restaurant Week. Part of a nationwide invitation to support Black-owned restaurants during Juneteenth, the event is designed to recognize the contributions of Black chefs, restaurateurs and food-industry professionals in the City of Albany and across the Capital Region.

“Since this past year, we’ve had several new Black businesses open in the South End, Delaware Avenue and all over the Capital District,” **Councilmember Sergio Adams** said. “This event provides an opportunity to showcase the diverse culinary talents of the Black community while also promoting economic growth and community development.”

Local business leader and 518 Black Restaurant Week founder Jamila Adams was also recognized for her part in bringing the event to the Capital Region. For a full list of participating restaurants and for more information on the event, you can visit <https://www.518blackrestaurantweek.biz/>.

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