

COUNTY OF



ALLEGHENY

RICH FITZGERALD  
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

## *Proclamation*

**WHEREAS**, the Amen Corner is hosting its 54<sup>th</sup> annual Judicial Reception at the Carlton Restaurant on April 18, 2014, and has chosen to honor Chief Justice Ronald D. Castille as the recipient of the Judge Robert E. Dauer Award for Judicial Leadership and Excellence; and

**WHEREAS**, Chief Justice Castille is a 1966 graduate of Auburn University, following his graduation, he was commissioned as an officer in the United States Marine Corp in Vietnam, where he served as a platoon commander in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines; in March 1967, he was seriously wounded by Viet Cong fire which resulted in the amputation of his right leg; he was awarded the Bronze Star Medal with a combat "V" for bravery, two Purple Heart medals, the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry, and the Presidential Unit and Naval Unit Citations; and

**WHEREAS**, Chief Justice Castille graduated in 1971 from the University of Virginia School of Law; he served for 14 years as Assistant and Deputy District Attorney in Philadelphia and was then elected District Attorney where he served for five years; subsequently, he practiced with the law firm of Reed, Smith, Shaw & McClay until 1993 when he was elected to the Supreme Court; and

**WHEREAS**, currently, Chief Justice Castille is in his sixth year as Chief Justice of Pennsylvania; he has received multiple awards for his distinguished public service and his devotion to the law; and

**WHEREAS**, the Amen Corner, a prestigious organization of Pittsburgh tradition since 1870, has honored numerous individuals that have exemplified judicial leadership and it is only fitting Chief Justice Castille be included in that list of honorees.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that I, Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby thank Chief Justice Ronald D. Castille for his outstanding example of judicial leadership and congratulate him on being the recipient of the 2014 Judge Robert E. Dauer Award.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the County of Allegheny to be affixed this 8<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2014.

*Rich Fitzgerald*

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