

COUNTY OF



ALLEGHENY

RICH FITZGERALD
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Proclamation

WHEREAS, *Arsenal Family & Children's Center is celebrating its 60th anniversary this year and will commemorate this milestone with a reception on Wednesday, January 22, 2014 at West Penn Hospital's Winter Garden; and*

WHEREAS, *Arsenal Family & Children's Center has a mission to promote and to be an advocate for the healthy development of young children and support their parents in building a nurturing relationship with each child; and*

WHEREAS, *founded in Pittsburgh's Lawrenceville neighborhood in 1953 by Dr. Benjamin Spock, the center was originally designed as a training site for pediatric students to study child development in an area that was highly ethnic and stable; Arsenal became a private, nonprofit organization in 1980 and today operates as a developmental preschool and social service agency; and*

WHEREAS, *offering a preschool, supervised parenting and play, individual parent/ child mentoring, and infant/ toddler and parent play groups, Arsenal Family & Children's Center has been a blessing to the community; many families have benefited from the services provided and Arsenal has remained committed to keeping the needs and development of children at the forefront of its mission; and*

WHEREAS, *Allegheny County is thankful for the knowledgeable and caring board, staff, and volunteers at Arsenal Family & Children's Center that have dedicated their time to building opportunities for parents, families, and children to learn and nurture their relationships with one another; the services provided are unmatched and we are proud that Arsenal calls Allegheny County home.*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED *that I, Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby congratulate Arsenal Family & Children's Center on its 60th anniversary with wish the organization many more successful years to come!*

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, *I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the County of Allegheny to be affixed this 22nd day of January, 2014.*

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