

COUNTY OF



ALLEGHENY

RICH FITZGERALD
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Proclamation

***WHEREAS**, NEED is celebrating its 51st anniversary this year and will be hosting its annual scholarship award dinner on May 22, 2014; and*

***WHEREAS**, Florence Reizenstein and Marion Jordan founded NEED as a temporary program through the Urban League Education Committee; both wrote letters to influential individuals in the community to collect funds to send 76 students accepted to colleges and universities to school that were financially unable to do so on their own; and*

***WHEREAS**, today, NEED provides career and college access services which empowers youth from the Pittsburgh region to aspire to, learn about, prepare for, and complete higher education; since its founding in 1963, NEED has supported over 20,000 deserving young people by providing nearly \$20 million in grants; and*

***WHEREAS**, NEED offers a number of services to help students succeed including: scholarship and grant programs, educational tours of Historical Black College and Universities, access to college and career training programs, the African American Male Mentoring Initiative, the Workforce Diversity Internship program, and the STEM program; and*

***WHEREAS**, Allegheny County is fortunate to have NEED in our community and for the blessing that it has been and will continue to be to countless students and families.*

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that I, Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby congratulate NEED on this exciting anniversary and look forward to the many great things it will do in the 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 May, 2014.*

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Rich Fitzgerald". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above the printed name.

RICH FITZGERALD