

COUNTY OF



ALLEGHENY

RICH FITZGERALD
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Program to Aid Citizen Enterprise (PACE) is hosting its 6th annual Inclusive Voices Luncheon on Friday, March 21, 2014; the luncheon is an event that encourages local residents to learn about and interact in a meaningful way with those who have different perspectives and experiences with the hope that they can work together to build bridges of understanding; and

WHEREAS, PACE is a partner agency of the United Way of Allegheny County and is a nonprofit funder and management support organization which was formed during the Civil Rights Movement of the 1960s; the programs offered by PACE focus on funding/ capacity building, community resource development, education, knowledge development and advocacy, and direct consulting services; and

WHEREAS, with a mission to strengthen the community-based nonprofit organizations that can assist African American and economically disadvantaged communities to identify their needs and take effective action, PACE has provided over \$10 million in grants and technical assistance to over 300 nonprofit organizations in isolated and neglected areas of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County; and

WHEREAS, the Inclusive Voices Luncheon is a valuable and constructive way to encourage conversation, bridge gaps between different people, stimulate interaction, and elevate the respect of and for differing opinions and perspectives from a variety of participants; it values the art of sharing and interaction that our society has begun to move away from; and

WHEREAS, Allegheny County is thankful for PACE and its dedication to our community; the organization provides many services which our residents rely upon and we are continuously grateful to the board and staff that make these services possible.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby proclaim Friday, March 21, 2014 as "PACE Inclusive Voices Day" in Allegheny County.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the County of Allegheny to be affixed this 21st day of March, 2014.

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