

COUNTY OF



ALLEGHENY

RICH FITZGERALD
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Proclamation

***WHEREAS**, St. Clair Hospital is celebrating its 60th anniversary this year and will recognize this milestone at its annual Summer Swing on Friday, July 18, 2014 at St. Clair Country Club; and*

***WHEREAS**, St. Clair Hospital began as the dream of Dr. Arthur S. Haines, a dedicated physician; he noticed that the South Hills communities were beginning to grow during the Great Depression and throughout World War II, and that there was a pressing need for emergency and general medical care for families close to their homes; and*

***WHEREAS**, the Silbol family donated land on the corner of Bower Hill Road and Wren Drive for the hospital and in October 1951, ground was broken; the hospital is named in honor of the American patriot, student of medicine, and early Pittsburger, Major General Arthur St. Clair; and*

***WHEREAS**, on February 22, 1954, St. Clair Hospital saw its first patient; Margherita Daris, of Carnegie, found her young daughter, Antonietta, feverish from an infection she had been fighting for several days; she and her husband had emigrated from Italy and spoke very little English, and turned to a neighbor for help; this neighbor brought them to St. Clair Hospital; and*

***WHEREAS**, during its first year, St. Clair Hospital admitted more than 4,500 patients and treated 8,500 emergency patients; today, the hospital is an award-winning, state-of-the-art health care facility and we are thankful for its presence in the South Hills over the last 60 years.*

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that I, Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby congratulate the Board of Directors, physicians, employees, and volunteers of St. Clair Hospital on this exciting 60th anniversary.*

***IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the County of Allegheny to be affixed this 18th day of July, 2014.*

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