

COUNTY OF



ALLEGHENY

RICH FITZGERALD
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the YWCA Greater Pittsburgh has chosen to honor the Black Male Leadership Development Institute (BMLDI) as a recipient of the 2014 Racial Justice Award, an annual tribute to leaders who promote equality in society; and

WHEREAS, the BMLDI is a program which bring black males in grades 9 through 12 together in a year-long program designed to strengthen a positive self-concept and increase education and leadership opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the BMLDI allows young black men to take the competencies they already have and expand them into a repertoire of leadership skills that can have a practical impact in their homes, schools, communities, and beyond; and

WHEREAS, the BMLDI kicks off with a week-long residential program at Robert Morris University and includes seminars, workshops, panel discussions, leadership exercises, and keynote lectures; this week-long program is followed up by the BMLDI Saturday Institute, an ongoing, year-round series of activities and workshops on leadership development, community service, advocacy, and college and career preparation, just to name a few; and

WHEREAS, Allegheny County is fortunate to have the leadership and dedication that the BMLDI brings to our region and is grateful for its work to create an equal society for all.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby congratulate the Black Male Leadership Development Institute on receiving the 2014 Racial Justice Award and thank the group for its commitment to promoting equality within our community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the County of Allegheny to be affixed this 29th day of October, 2014.

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