

COUNTY OF



ALLEGHENY

RICH FITZGERALD  
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

## *Proclamation*

**WHEREAS**, *Communities In Schools of Pittsburgh-Allegheny County (CISPAC) is celebrating its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year and is hosting its “Bash at the Bank” event on Thursday, March 5, 2015 at Dollar Bank in downtown Pittsburgh; this second annual fundraising event will feature live entertainment, food and refreshments, and a silent auction; and*

**WHEREAS**, *Communities In Schools (CIS) is the nation’s largest dropout prevention organization bringing coordinated, integrated student services into public schools to meet the needs of at-risk students; the organization has a mission to surround students with a community of support, empowering them to stay in school and achieve in life; and*

**WHEREAS**, *within Allegheny County more than 11,000 students are habitually truant each year and struggle with complex challenges ranging from poverty and lack of basic needs, to homelessness and health challenges; CISPAC has been serving nearly 2,000 at risk students every year since 1985; each year, CISPAC reaches nearly 10,000 parents, siblings, teachers, and community partners through its holistic approach to dropout prevention; and*

**WHEREAS**, *as part of this year’s fundraising efforts to support local students, donations may be made that will be used to purchase essential items for at-risk students; the donation “menu” includes a student jacket for \$35, a clothing package for \$40, ensuring that South Hills Academy stays open to serve 100 students for one day for \$2,000, and guaranteeing that an entire schools building is provided services by a site coordinator for one month for \$3,000; and*

**WHEREAS**, *CISPAC has made a tremendous impact on the lives of local students over the past 30 years; the work of the staff and volunteers has positively affected countless students and parents, and we are thankful for the unmatched services they provide.*

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** *that I, Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby congratulate CISPAC on its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary and thank all involved for their continued work on behalf of our students.*

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, *I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the County of Allegheny to be affixed this 5<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2015.*

*Rich Fitzgerald*

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