

COUNTY OF



ALLEGHENY

RICH FITZGERALD
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Proclamation

WHEREAS, *Veterans Record Your Discharge Day* is recognized this year on Monday, November 2, 2015; this is a day set aside to encourage all veterans to record a veteran's release or discharge document with the Recorder of Deeds or Real Estate Office; and

WHEREAS, recording discharge papers through the Allegheny County Real Estate office is free, and will assist veterans in protection against identity theft and ensure that their release or discharge documents can be retrieved at a later date quickly and conveniently; and

WHEREAS, in addition, copies of the documents can be provided to veterans and their families when the original documents become lost or damaged; in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, discharge papers may be recorded in the Recorder of Deeds office, or equivalent, which stores the original documents for the protection, preservation, and reproduction of one of the most important documents a veteran will receive after their service; and

WHEREAS, many times, veterans will be required to provide certified copies of their discharge documents to obtain various State and Federal benefits, to use for wills and estate purposes, or for employment purposes; and

WHEREAS, Allegheny County is extremely proud and thankful for our veterans and their service to our wonderful country; all veterans are encouraged to record their discharge to preserve these important documents for years to come.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby proclaim November 2, 2015 as "Veterans Record Your Discharge 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 2nd day of November, 2015.

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