

COUNTY OF



ALLEGHENY

RICH FITZGERALD  
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

## *Proclamation*

**WHEREAS**, Workforce Development Global Alliance (WDGA) is hosting its 10<sup>th</sup> annual 2Steps2Work Benefit Festival on November 3, 2015 at the Le Mont Restaurant; and

**WHEREAS**, this year's Benefit Festival centers around the theme "Celebrating a Decade of Global Youth Empowerment!"; the evening will feature keynote speaker Tamara Tunie, an accomplished film, stage and television actress who grew up in Homestead and the presentation of the Dr. Wangari Maathai Humanitarian Award to Dr. Kevin Kearns; the event will also include the graduation of 2Steps2Work's Class of 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, Elizabeth "Niecey" Dennis White is the founder and president of WDGA, an organization that was founded in 2006 to help children find hope where they live; since then it has blossomed into a global organization serving youth ages 13-25 in Kenya and the Pittsburgh region; and

**WHEREAS**, WDGA has a mission to promote economic self-sufficiency through peace and employability for youth; the 2Steps2Work program teach youth the art of conflict resolution, alternatives to violence, promotes peace, and helps them emerge as socially responsible and employable citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, Allegheny County is very grateful to have WDGA and 2Steps2Work in community; the organization has made a lasting impact on our youth and has given them the tools they need in today's workforce and society.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that I, Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby congratulate WDGA and 2Steps2Works for ten successful years and wish the organization and all involved best wishes for the future.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the County of Allegheny to be affixed this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 2015.

*Rich Fitzgerald*

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