

COUNTY OF



ALLEGHENY

RICH FITZGERALD
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Dr. Curtis L. Walker is being honored posthumously with the Spirit of King Award; this award recognizes the lifetime achievements of local citizens who pursue human rights and equality in the spirit of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, upon graduation from Aliquippa High School, Dr. Walker received his Bachelor of Arts degree, Masters of Education degree, and Doctor in Education Administration degree from the University of Pittsburgh; he taught in the Aliquippa School District, eventually becoming principal and assistant superintendent; and

WHEREAS, he also taught at the University of Pittsburgh, and became the first Director of the Consultative Resources Center on School Desegregation and Conflict at the University; subsequently, he went on to serve in the Pittsburgh School District's Equity, Compliance and Community Relations Department; he is credited with organizing the Pittsburgh Chapter of the United Negro College Fund; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Walker was a founding member of the Urban Emphasis Committee and spearheaded the development of an in-school Learning for Life program that taught life skills to more than 3,000 area youths; he belonged to several professional and social organizations and was an active member of the community; and

WHEREAS, Allegheny County is honored have been the home of Dr. Walker for quite some time; he was an inspiration to many for his dedication to education and it is certainly appropriate that he be honored in this manner.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby recognize Dr. Curtis L. Walker as the Spirit of King Award recipient.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the County of Allegheny to be affixed this 14th day of January, 2016.

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