

COUNTY OF



ALLEGHENY

RICH FITZGERALD
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Epilepsy Foundation of Western/Central Pennsylvania (EFWCP) is hosting its 20th annual Mardi Gras Gala black tie event on March 4, 2014 at the Westin Convention Center; and

WHEREAS, EFWCP is a private, non-profit service organization providing public education and supportive services to individuals and families affected by epilepsy/seizure disorders with a mission to lead the fight to stop seizures, find a cure and overcome challenges created by epilepsy; and

WHEREAS, this year's event honorees are David & Cynthia Shapira; David is currently the Executive Chairman of the Board of Directors of Giant Eagle, Inc. and Cynthia is a member of the Allegheny County Airport Authority and was appointed by Governor Corbett to the Pennsylvania Commission on Women; and

WHEREAS, David is a native of Pittsburgh; he received a degree in Economics from Oberlin College, and received his master's degree from Stanford University; additionally, he holds a number of positions with various organizations, including: director of the American Pardes Foundation; director of the BNY Mellon Foundation of Southern Pennsylvania; president of Deer Leasing Company; and co-chairman of ECHO Developers, LLC, just to name a few; and

WHEREAS, Cynthia earned a bachelor of arts degree from Wellesley College and master's degree in public administration from the Harvard Kennedy School of Government; she was a management consultant for 20 years in the nonprofit and education sectors; Cynthia is the chair of the PA Center for Women in Politics at Chatham University, and serves on the boards of Point Park University, United Way of Allegheny County/ executive committee, WQED Pittsburgh, and the Pittsburgh Promise.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby congratulate David & Cynthia Shapira as the honorees of this year's Mardi Gras Gala and thank the EFWCP for its continued research, support, and dedication toward helping those with epilepsy and for being a voice in the community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the County of Allegheny to be affixed this 4th day of March, 2014.

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