

COUNTY OF



ALLEGHENY

RICH FITZGERALD
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Proclamation

WHEREAS, on September 21, 1982, the opening day of the 37th session of the General Assembly, the first International Day of Peace was observed at the United Nations Headquarters; and

WHEREAS, adopted by unanimous vote, it is a day “to devote a specific time to concentrate the efforts of the United Nations and its Member States, as well as of the whole of mankind, to promoting the ideals of peace and to giving positive evidence of their commitment to peace in all viable ways;” and

WHEREAS, the International Day of Peace has become a symbol for commemorating and strengthening the ideals of peace both within and among all nations and peoples; as such, celebrations are taking place across the world including festivals, concerts, among others, and a moment of silence at noon in every time zone; and

WHEREAS, while many of our own municipalities, youth, and adults are inundated with violence on a daily basis, it is increasingly important for us to make peace in our own relationships as well as larger conflicts; this day serves as a specific time for all people to set aside their differences and calls for a period of global ceasefire and non-violence; and

WHEREAS, Allegheny County is proud to recognize the International Day of Peace; all residents are encouraged to participate in the moment of silence and practice peacebuilding, a long-term culture of peace that builds understanding and tolerance between individuals.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby proclaim September 21, 2014 as the “International Day of Peace” 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 21st day of September, 2014.

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