

COUNTY OF



ALLEGHENY

RICH FITZGERALD
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the YWCA Greater Pittsburgh has chosen to honor the ACTS Research Team from the University of Pittsburgh School of Nursing as a recipient of the 2014 Racial Justice Award, an annual tribute to leaders who promote equality in society; and

WHEREAS, the Attitude, Communication Treatment and Support (ACTS) Research Team, is an effort of Dr. Margaret Rosenzweig and Jacqueline Simon; Dr. Rosenzweig is an oncology nurse researcher from the University of Pittsburgh School of Nursing and Ms. Simon brought experience in community health education as well as linkage to the African American Women's Speakers Bureau (AAWSB); and

WHEREAS, the ACTS intervention was developed in an iterative process through AAWSB; the research collaborations from the ACTS team have allowed an expansion of the original ACTS research through four additional endeavors involving the Pittsburgh region; members of the ACTS Research Team work within the university and surrounding community to promote the message of breast cancer equity and affirmative action; and

WHEREAS, Jacqueline Simon, Reverend Deborah Otey, Mary Connelly, and Margaret Tate work tirelessly within their respective churches, health ministries, and community organizations to promote breast health, particularly reaching out to women diagnosed with breast cancer; and

WHEREAS, Allegheny County is fortunate to have the leadership and dedication that the ACTS Research Team brings to our region and is grateful for its work to create an equal society for all.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby congratulate the ACTS Research Team on receiving the 2014 Racial Justice Award and thank the group for its commitment to promoting equality within our community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the County of Allegheny to be affixed this 29th day of October, 2014.

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