

COUNTY OF



ALLEGHENY

RICH FITZGERALD
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the YWCA Greater Pittsburgh has chosen to honor Ms. Anna E. Hollis as a recipient of the 2014 Racial Justice Award, an annual tribute to leaders who promote equality in society; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hollis is the Executive Director of Amachi Pittsburgh, a unique partnership of secular and faith-based organizations working together to support children and families of the incarcerated; the organization's mission, to empower young people to overcome the challenges of parental incarceration and reach their full potential, is displayed in the English translation of "amachi" – "Who knows what God has brought us through this Child?"; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hollis is a native of the Hill District and a graduate of Howard University; she has been a longstanding advocate for racial justice and is passionate about affecting positive change in our community; under her leadership, Amachi Pittsburgh continues as an ever-growing and diverse network of community organizations, dedicated volunteers and families, and partners in education, business and government; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hollis served on the board of the Mentoring Partnership of Southwestern Pennsylvania, the Community Advisory Committee of the YWCA Greater Pittsburgh Center for Race and Gender Equity, and the Dean's Executive Council at the University of Pittsburgh's Center on Race and Social Problems in the School of Social Work; and

WHEREAS, Allegheny County is fortunate to have the leadership and dedication that Ms. Hollis brings to our region and is grateful for her 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 Ms. Anna E. Hollis on receiving the 2014 Racial Justice Award and thank her for her 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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