

COUNTY OF



ALLEGHENY

RICH FITZGERALD
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Proclamation

WHEREAS, this year marks the 10th anniversary of Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas' Adult DUI Court; in celebration, a ceremony and reception will be held on Thursday, October 15, 2015 in the Allegheny County Courthouse Gold Room; and

WHEREAS, the Allegheny County DUI Court program was initiated with the cooperation of District Attorney Stephen Zappala and President Judge Emeritus Donna Jo McDaniel; the Honorable Kevin G. Sasinoski has presided over the Court since its inception in June 2005; and

WHEREAS, the program couples close supervision with rehabilitative treatment in order to reduce recidivism; the program is a five-step process and uses a combination of electric monitoring with alcohol detection and intensive court supervision; participation in the program is voluntary; eligible participants are those who have been charged with a third Driving Under the Influence case within a ten year frame who are facing a mandatory minimum sentence of at least one year of incarceration; and

WHEREAS, participants are required to complete a drug and alcohol rehabilitation program, maintain employment, complete a victim impact panel, attend monthly Court reviews and twelve step recovery meetings, and complete forty hours of community service; and

WHEREAS, by giving these individuals a chance to complete this unique program, we are giving men and women the tools to change; this is an extremely worthwhile approach to not only helping those who struggle with drugs and alcohol, but to the public safety of our residents; we are fortunate to have had the Adult DUI Court in our community for the past decade and for the lives it has changed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby congratulate the Adult DUI Court and the Honorable Kevin G. Sasinoski on this exciting anniversary and the success of the program.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the County of Allegheny to be affixed this 15th day of October, 2015.

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