

COUNTY OF



ALLEGHENY

RICH FITZGERALD  
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

## *Proclamation*

**WHEREAS**, *the American Diabetes Association is hosting its Father of the Year Awards Dinner on Friday, June 19, 2015; this award offers a unique opportunity to honor community leaders who have made "being a dad" their highest priority in life; and*

**WHEREAS**, *the two gentlemen who are receiving this year's Father of the Year award have demonstrated the ability to balance their personal lives while achieving a high level of success in their chosen careers, and are outstanding role models in the community; and*

**WHEREAS**, *Mr. Duke Rupert, President and CEO of West Penn Hospital, has been married to his wife, Michelle, for 26 years; they have three children: Tyler, Brandon, and Morgan; the family is involved in many community organizations and recognizes the importance of volunteering together; and*

**WHEREAS**, *Mr. Rupert has overseen the hospital's rebirth into a full-service tertiary care facility; he has been involved in the health care industry for many years, serving as Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer for both Allegheny General Hospital and West Penn Hospital prior to his current role; Mr. Rupert also served as Vice President of Operations at Allegheny General Hospital, and had joined Allegheny General Hospital in 1997 as Director of Rehabilitation Services; prior to this, he was Vice President of Operations for NW Rehabilitation Associates, and served several years as a Director at Mercy Hospital; and*

**WHEREAS**, *Mr. Rupert has served on a number of boards and volunteer organizations throughout the years; he is currently a board member of the Women's Center and Shelter of Greater Pittsburgh.*

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** *that I, Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby congratulate Mr. Duke Rupert on being named Father of the Year by the American Diabetes Association.*

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, *I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the County of Allegheny to be affixed this 19<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2015.*

*Rich Fitzgerald*

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