

COUNTY OF



ALLEGHENY

RICH FITZGERALD
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Proclamation

WHEREAS, *India Day will be celebrated on Sunday, August 16, 2015; in recognition of India Day, the Nationality Rooms at the University of Pittsburgh will be hosting a festival and parade; and*

WHEREAS, *this year, the theme for India Day is "India: Technology and Development Achievements Post Independence;" since Indian gained its independence, technology has played a major role in the economy and business sector; and*

WHEREAS, *in 1951, after India gained its independence, the Indian Institutes of Technology (IIT) was established; the IIT provides the world with some of the brightest scientific minds; Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru, India's first prime minister, called IIT the modern temple of India that would accelerate the country's integration into the world economy; and*

WHEREAS, *in the 1960s, India's green revolution increased food production and avoided major shortages of food, as was forecast by various world experts; at this time, the Space and Nuclear Commissions were also set up and the indigenous research has led to self-reliance in these sectors; the Indian government established the Electronics Commission in 1971 to foster growth in the post-industrial world; most recently, in 2005, Digital India was launched to leverage information technology for the masses; and*

WHEREAS, *Allegheny County is home to approximately 12,000 people that claim Indian ancestry; each nationality represented in our region contributes new ways of learning and understanding, we are thankful for all those of Indian heritage that call our community home.*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby proclaim August 16, 2015 as "India Day" 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 16th day of August, 2015.

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