

COUNTY OF



ALLEGHENY

RICH FITZGERALD
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Proclamation

WHEREAS, on Saturday, September 5, 2015, Army Veteran Jack Kudrav will embark on a 334-mile bicycle ride to Washington, D.C. to reflect on the victims of September 11th, the Iraq and Afghanistan veterans, the Vietnam Veterans 50th Anniversary, and the 70th Anniversary of the end of World War II; and

WHEREAS, Jack Kudrav served as a platoon sergeant in the U.S. Army for 23 years; after leaving the military in 199, he returned to Pittsburgh with a service-related injury and quickly found his true passion of helping other veterans; and

WHEREAS, for the past 13 years, Jack has dedicated his life to serving his fellow veterans and is currently a housing case manager for Veterans Leadership Program; Veterans Leadership Program provides essential housing, employment, and vital support services to local veterans, service members, and their families with the goal of improving their self-sufficiency, sustainability, and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, although Jack served more than two decades in active duty, he feels indebted to help returning veterans who have sacrificed so much to serve and protect our country; even when Jack was diagnosed with Stage IV Hodgkin lymphoma and was told to make his final arrangements, he persevered through 40+ sessions of chemotherapy and was able to return to his life's work of helping veterans. Jack has been in remission since 2008, making him a cancer survivor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby wish Jack Kudrav the very best in his 334-mile ride, thank him for his own service to our country, and commend him for his ongoing dedication to our nation's veterans.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the County of Allegheny to be affixed this 5th day of September, 2015.

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