

COUNTY OF



ALLEGHENY

RICH FITZGERALD  
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

## *Proclamation*

**WHEREAS**, a fundraiser to benefit WhyHunger will be held at Club Café on March 20; WhyHunger is a leader in building the movement to end hunger and poverty by connecting people to nutritious, affordable food and by supporting grassroots solutions that inspire self-reliance and community empowerment; and

**WHEREAS**, locally, the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank will also benefit from the fundraising efforts; in an effort to raise awareness about local hunger, The Damaged Pies are releasing a song and video project entitled "Light on Grant;" the song and video highlight our region's diversity and beauty, while also bringing to light the plight of hunger in the area; and

**WHEREAS**, in Allegheny County, the population of those who face food insecurity is 171,660, which is 14% of the total population; many of these individuals are children and older adults; and

**WHEREAS**, locally, the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank and its partners served 65,026 people throughout the county in March 2014; out of those who received food assistance, 4,966 individuals were first-time recipients, meaning they never received emergency food assistance during the previous twelve months; and

**WHEREAS**, WhyHunger and the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank have made great strides in ending hunger across the nation and in our region; we are thankful to The Damaged Pies for hosting this fundraiser to bring awareness to the plight and to contribute funds to these worthy causes.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that I, Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby commend The Damaged Pies on hosting this fundraiser and thank all involved for their efforts.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the County of Allegheny to be affixed this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2015.

*Rich Fitzgerald*

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