

COUNTY OF



ALLEGHENY

RICH FITZGERALD  
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

## *Proclamation*

**WHEREAS**, the YWCA Greater Pittsburgh is dedicated to eliminating racism, empowering women and promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all; this past year, more than 56,000 women and families were helped along life's way by the organization; and

**WHEREAS**, for 26 years, the YWCA Greater Pittsburgh has honored the women, men and organizations that work to eliminate racial inequity in everyday life and fight for inclusion throughout greater Pittsburgh communities; in particular, the Racial Justice Awards recipients symbolize leadership and have set a path for others who want to be good stewards; and

**WHEREAS**, the recognition of individuals representing a particular faith, faith-based effort, or institution dedicated to promoting racial equity, social justice, and human rights in congregations, communities, and organizations is an integral part of the Annual Racial Justice Awards; the focus on an awardee who is respectful and inclusive to all peoples, faiths, and walks of life and dedicated to comprehensive human rights and the community at-large is particularly fitting; and

**WHEREAS**, this year, Greta Stokes Tucker, Ph.D., has been selected as recipient of a 2017 Racial Justice Award in the Faith category; the Parish Services Concierge for the Diocese of Pittsburgh, Dr. Tucker believes that it is important to celebrate the diversity of people, engaging the church in issues related to racial and cultural diversity and disabilities; her work has affirmed that dialogue and building personal relationships are essential to transform hearts and attitudes, leading to racial healing, reconciliation, and systemic changes in society; and

**WHEREAS**, the efforts of Dr. Tucker, and the other recipients of the 2017 Racial Justice Awards, have made all of the difference in our city, county and region; this recognition of the leaders who work to eliminate racial inequity stand as markers of change for all of us.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that I, Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby congratulate Greta Stokes Tucker for being named a 2017 Racial Justice Award recipient, and commend the YWCA Greater Pittsburgh for its efforts to recognize the leaders, sung and unsung, who work collaboratively in our community to improve it on a daily basis.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the County of Allegheny to be affixed this 8<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2017.

*Rich Fitzgerald*

RICH FITZGERALD