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## **Annual Lucchino Award Presented to Ed McGregor**

*McGregor has Worked for Allegheny County for 38 Years in Numerous Roles*

**PITTSBURGH** – County Executive Rich Fitzgerald and County Manager William D. McKain CPA today announced that the county has presented the Frank J. Lucchino Distinguished Service Award to Mr. Edward McGregor, Fiscal Manager of the Allegheny County Office of the Medical Examiner. This is the ninth Distinguished Service Award presented by the county since the program was re-instituted in 2013.

“So often it is the people who are behind the scenes that make the county operate as well as it does, and Ed is a perfect example of that,” said Fitzgerald. “From his leadership in the Controller’s office under Frank Lucchino to his more recent role in the Medical Examiner’s office, our county has benefitted in numerous ways. Not only has his work and ideas impacted our residents, but his example to other employees has been priceless.”

Mr. McGregor has worked for the county since February 1983 when he joined the staff of Controller Frank J. Lucchino’s office. He remained in that role until 2009 when he accepted an opportunity with the Allegheny County Office of the Medical Examiner (ACOME). While a new endeavor and something very different than where he had worked before, Ed believed he could apply his knowledge and skills and make contributions to the office. More than 10 years later, those contributions have gone exceedingly beyond fiscal management. Mr. McGregor has worked to help the Medical Examiner’s Office prepare fiscal plans and forecasting and to make sure that the leadership team members in the department have respect and understanding of those fiscal requirements. He has helped to cultivate relationships with various other departments throughout the county and recommended new, innovative ideas that have helped families who are on a difficult journey with the office.

“Ed is a classic example of a humble public servant who does his job well, each and every day, and never seeks recognition,” said McKain. “His work has been greatly impactful on this county and he serves as a positive example of our dedicated employees who are mindful that they serve the public and take on that great responsibility in everything they do.”

Mr. McGregor has also been integral in his role aiding the ACOME team in applying for and managing millions of dollars of grants in his career which then translates into expanded and expedited services for the citizens of Allegheny County. Mr. McGregor has sat as a member of the internal Executive Management Team at ACOME to effect change in policy for the entire department. He has consistently been a member of interview panels for various positions throughout the organization due to his non-scientific background providing a new and priceless perspective. Today, he celebrates over 38 years and nine (9) months of service to county residents.

“I am honored to have my name associated with county employees who serve the public well every day,” said Judge Frank J. Lucchino, who also attended today’s event.

Ed was surprised this afternoon at the Courthouse where he thought he was tagging along with the County Manager to check on another meeting. That meeting instead included County Executive Fitzgerald, Chief of Staff Jennifer Liptak, County Manager McKain, Senior Deputy County Manager Steve Pilarski, ACOME employees, former county co-workers, and his wife, family and friends.

Following remarks, Mr. McGregor was presented with a county proclamation, a glass paperweight depicting the Allegheny County Courthouse, and will be presented with a formal plaque with a photograph from the presentation.

Previous winners have included:

2013	Dr. Robert Levine Medical Examiner's Office
2014	Peter D. Schepis Budget & Finance Department
2015	Robert J. Lentz Controller's Office
2016	Clarence Hopson Parks Department
2017	Randolph (Randy) W. Brockington Human Services Department
2018	James P. Reardon Facilities Management Department
2019	Joseph Gavlik Computer Services Division
2020	All County Employees

The Frank J. Lucchino Distinguished Service Award is presented annually to an employee or employee group who has exceeded all expectations, made a significant impact upon the county, and has represented the county admirably in his or her actions. The award is intended to recognize and reward exemplary performance by county employees as demonstrated through exceptional efficiency and productivity, customer service, or innovation and creativity. The award was named in honor of The Honorable Frank J. Lucchino, who had a long and distinguished career serving the citizens of Allegheny County. For 20 years, he was the county's elected Controller (1980-2000) before being elected to the Court of Common Pleas in 2000. He retired in 2016 as a Senior Judge on the Court.

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