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**Title:** NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend Dr. Rippy for being installed as the new pastor of Good Hope Baptist; and,  
  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Sunday, May 26, 2019, to be "Melvin G. Rippy Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.

**Sponsors:** Reverend Ricky V. Burgess, All Members

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**WHEREAS**, Reverend Dr. Melvin G. Rippy received his call into ministry in January 1990. Dr. Rippy preached his initial sermon on November 15<sup>th</sup>, 1998, and was ordained under his pastor the Reverend Dr. Winston C. Rildley Jr.; and,

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Rippy has earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Community Ministry from Geneva College, May of 1999. He has earned a Master of Divinity degree from Sam DeWitt Proctor School of Theology at Virginia Union University School of Divinity, May of 2010; and,

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Rippy has been a servant-leader for four churches in the duration of his twenty-plus years in the ministry. He has served at First Missionary Baptist Church, Leetsdale, PA, 1999-2004 and Deliverance Baptist Christian Center, Pittsburgh, PA, 2004-2009, Macedonia Baptist Church, Wheeling, WV 2011-2018. He is currently the pastor of Good Hope Baptist Church, 2018-present; and,

**WHEREAS**, Currently, Dr. Rippy is an adjunct professor for Geneva College at the Center of Urban Biblical Ministry, where he has taught Professional Development, Homiletics, History of the Christian Church, and Wisdom Literature; and,

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