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Title: NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby remember the victims of the Armenian Genocide; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Saturday April 24, 2004 as "A Day of Remembrance" here in the City of Pittsburgh.

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WHEREAS, During the period leading to the breakup of the Ottoman empire, Ottoman leaders promulgated Anti-Armenia policies, including mass deportation of Armenians; and,

WHEREAS, these policies resulted in the systematic annihilation, through massacres, disease, and starvation of a large segment of the Armenian population; and,

WHEREAS, 1.5 million men, women, and children of Armenian ancestry were victims of the genocide perpetrated by the Ottoman Empire from 1915 through 1923; and,

WHEREAS, Armenians have historical roots and a national identity dating back three thousand years in what is now Eastern Turkey, Northwestern Iran, and South-Central Soviet Union; and,

WHEREAS, Armenians have distinctive linguistic and religious heritage within the Christian tradition. **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby remember the victims of the Armenian Genocide; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Saturday April 24, 2004 as **"A Day of Remembrance"** here in the City of Pittsburgh.