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Title: WHEREAS, in 2006, the International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse, in support of the United Nations International Plan of Action, proclaimed a day to recognize the significance of elder abuse as a public health and human rights issue; and,

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WHEREAS, in 2006, the International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse, in support of the United Nations International Plan of Action, proclaimed a day to recognize the significance of elder abuse as a public health and human rights issue; and,

WHEREAS, the National Center on Elder Abuse (NCEA) and Lynn Williams Apartments recognize the importance of taking action to raise awareness, prevent and address elder abuse; and,

WHEREAS, ageism and social isolation are major causes of elder abuse in the United States; and,

WHEREAS, recognizing that it is up to all of us, to ensure that proper social structures exist so people can retain community and societal connections, reducing the likelihood of abuse; and

WHEREAS, preventing abuse of older adults through maintaining and improving social supports like senior centers, human services and transportation will allow everyone to continue to live as independently as possible and contribute to the life and vibrancy of our communities; and,

WHEREAS, World Elder Abuse Awareness Day will celebrate its 18th anniversary June 15th, 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does commend the National Center on Elder Abuse (NCEA) and the Lynn Williams Apartments for their commit to protecting the rights of older adults.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby declares Saturday, June 15th, 2024 to be “**World Elder Abuse Awareness Day**” here in the City of Pittsburgh.