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WHEREAS, Celebrate and Share was founded by Bonnie DeCarlo and JoAnn R. Forrester to feature the achievements of women and raise funds for organizations which focus on the needs of women and children in our community; and,

WHEREAS, this year's event, whose honorary Co-Chairs are District Attorney Steve and Mary Zappala, will be a breakfast honoring "Women of Achievement" in 23 areas including business, law, banking, non-profit, finance, academia, education and media in the Pittsburgh area on March 5, 2008, at The Rivers Club; and,

WHEREAS, this year's event will donate their proceeds to SIDS of PA's Cribs for Kids, which works to reduce the risk of SIDS by providing a safe-sleep environment for low income families who cannot afford cribs for their infants; and,

WHEREAS, Cribs for Kids was founded in 1998 by District Attorney Stephen A. Zappala, the late Mayor Bob O'Connor, the late Commander Gwen Elliot and SIDS of PA Executive Director Judith Bannon who works tirelessly to spread the word about reducing SIDS through providing cribs for infants and educating parents about practicing safe sleep for their babies. Since its inception and the success of its "Back to Sleep" Campaign, the incidence of SIDS has been reduced by 50 % in PA; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize Bonnie DeCarlo and JoAnn Forrester for their vision and determination to honor 23 accomplished women through Celebrate and Share and to Judy Bannon for her tireless and dedicated work on behalf of the babies of Pennsylvania; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare March 5, 2008, to be "CELEBRATE AND SHARE DAY" and "CRIBS FOR KIDS DAY" in the City of Pittsburgh.