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WHEREAS, in the early 1900s, Frank Felix Nicola made several business trips to Mary Groghan Schenley's home in Europe to persuade her to sell him an undeveloped tract of land in the Schenley Farms section of Pittsburgh; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Nicola noticed European cities had cultural cores of universities, art, restaurants, and parks and he believed Oakland could become the anchor of Pittsburgh's social and cultural community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Nicola brought together a group of 40 businessmen at the Duquesne Club to hear his idea and 20 individuals pledged their support at the end of the meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Pittsburg Athletic Association (PAA) was chartered on Christmas Eve of 1908 with 1500 members on its roll; and

WHEREAS, the PAA Clubhouse was dedicated in April of 1911; and

WHEREAS, on April 17, 2009, the Pittsburgh Athletic Association will host a gala to celebrate the Club's 100th Birthday Charter and kick off of the Club's 2011 Centennial; and

WHEREAS, the event will honor President John A. Freyvogel III and past presidents of the Club.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Council of the City of Pittsburgh congratulates the Pittsburgh Athletic Association on its upcoming anniversaries and thanks the organization for its contributions to the Pittsburgh community; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby declares April 17, 2009, "PAA Presidents' Ball Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.