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WHEREAS, Achieving in Higher Education with Autism/Developmental Disabilities (AHEADD) is a private, community organization that provides support for students in higher education with various types of learning disabilities and disorders; and

WHEREAS, AHEADD assists students in creating individual plans and strategies to address social, communication and organizational skills that will help students be independent in their college experience; and

WHEREAS, Carolyn Komich Hare founded AHEADD in 2002, when she piloted the program in response to a parent who was looking for specialized services to assist a student who would be attending Carnegie Mellon University; and

WHEREAS, the AHEADD Model™ was developed by analyzing the successes and failures of the program and can be applied on any college campus; and

WHEREAS, AHEADD will host the 1st annual Adult Autism Awareness Day at a day long event held at the University of Pittsburgh; and

WHEREAS, the event will feature panels of speakers discussing post-secondary education, post-secondary employment, research and legislation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Council of the City of Pittsburgh recognizes Achieving in Higher Education with Autism/Developmental Disabilities for its efforts to assist students in meeting their post-secondary education goals; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby declares April 18, 2009, "Adult Autism Awareness Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.