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WHEREAS, **Bishop-elect Peter Martin Hallenbeck** is cognizant of his life's purpose and has firmly fixed his consciousness to embrace the task at hand and for **Bishop-elect Hallenbeck**, ministry is, plain and simple, people and not things; and

WHEREAS, his innate desire to spread the love of God, through the gospel of Jesus Christ, has caused **Bishop-elect Hallenbeck** to open his heart and ministry to the community by unselfishly serving individuals and their families as they call upon him; and

WHEREAS, in addition to what some may consider to be the norm of ministry, christenings, weddings, funerals, counseling, teaching and preaching, **Bishop-elect Hallenbeck** has felt the heartbeat of his congregation and community and is working untiringly to participate in and implement various ministry programming relevant to his congregation, Full Life Deliverance Ministries; and

WHEREAS, those programs include **Academic Tutoring & Shadowing**, a program that provides tutoring to students during the school year and beyond, while monitoring their grades each report period; and

WHEREAS, **Operation Embrace**, is a two-fold program that eases the apprehension experienced by men and women who have been incarcerated, providing a safety net for them as they make their re-entry to mainstream society and addresses the sensitivity and the societal dictates that place an immediate label of exclusion upon individuals who have been infected with HIV; and

WHEREAS, **Leading by Example Men's Mentorship Program**, is a component of the ministry that assists men in the healthy spiritual, emotional and physical maintenance, as well as addressing relevant men's issues; and

WHEREAS, **PIT Program: Pastors in Training Program** is a program that teaches and trains young men and women in ministry who are pursuant of the call to pastoral ministry, through hands-on instruction, he prepares them to be successful in building productive lives.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does, hereby, commend **Bishop-elect Peter Martin Hallenbeck** for all that he has done to improve the lives of his congregants and the members of his community, at large, and does, hereby, congratulate him on the event of his consecration as a Bishop of the Episcopal Church.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh, does, hereby, proclaim **Saturday, June 27, 2009**, to be known as **Bishop Peter Martin Hallenbeck Day** in the City of Pittsburgh..