



# City of Pittsburgh

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## Text File

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**WHEREAS**, first named Decoration Day, **Memorial Day** is a day of remembrance to those who have paid the ultimate sacrifice in service to our country, which was first widely observed on May 30, 1868 by proclamation of General John A. Logan of the Grand Army Republic to commemorate the sacrifices of the Civil War soldiers; and,

**WHEREAS**, during the first national celebration, General James Garfield spoke at the Arlington National Cemetery, after which 5,000 participants placed flowers on graves of Union and Confederate soldiers at Arlington National Cemetery; and after World War I, Memorial Day became an occasion for honoring those who died in all America's wars; and,

**WHEREAS**, the **VFW PA Post 5111** honored those who paid the ultimate sacrifice to our country on Sunday, May 27 with a service and a 21 gun salute at the Duquesne Incline; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend the VFW Post 5111 for remembering those who died in service to our country and honors and remembers our ancestors, our family members, our loved ones, our neighbors, and our friends who have given the ultimate sacrifice; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Wednesday, May 30, 2012, to be "**Memorial Day**" in the City of Pittsburgh.