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WHEREAS, George Gilfoyle has been a Brookline resident for 58 of his 68 years, living first on Berwin Avenue and, for the past twelve years, on Fernhill Avenue; and

WHEREAS, from the age of twelve, **George** was a fixture at the Brookline Firehouse, always ready to assist the crew. Over the years he earned the title of Honorary Fireman and, in later years, Honorary Chief; and

WHEREAS, as part of his duties at the Brookline Firehouse, **George** spent his days walking the streets of Brookline with his clipboard, radio, and flashlight in hand, inspecting and testing the Gamewell fire alarm boxes on the telephone poles. In the event there was a fire in the Brookline area, **George** would take off running and was often the first on the scene; and

WHEREAS, through his daily walks in the community, **George** became an ambassador of good will, always carrying a smile on his face and offering a cheery hello to everyone. He was always kind to everyone he met and went out of his way to help educate the neighborhood children on fire safety; and

WHEREAS, George is a lifelong member of the Church of the Resurrection and always took his seat in the front, praying sincerely and waving warmly to his many friends in the congregation; and

WHEREAS, George has a heart of gold and, in his own special way, taught us all about the meaning of friendship and kindness.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh commends this kind-hearted man for his dedication to his community, his devotion to public safety, for sharing his gift of happiness with everyone, young and old alike, and for doing his part to make Brookline a special place.

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Sunday, April 28, 2013, to be **George Gilfoyle Day** in the City of Pittsburgh.