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WHEREAS, from deep within the urban forest of Pittsburgh's East End comes a musical duo who has been writing , arranging and performing original music since 2010, sharing their eclectic mix of folk, country and blues to the delight of their audiences ; and,

WHEREAS, **The Squirrel Hillbillies** is made up of **Jenny Wolsk Bain** and **Gary Crouth**, who through a collaborative, nonlinear songwriting process, draw from personal experiences, third hand stories and their vivid imaginations to craft songs that are unpredictable and quirky yet widely accessible.; and,

WHEREAS, **Jenny Wolsk Bain** grew up in Greenwich Village listening to popular music and studying musical theater but eventually acquiring an ear for harmony and an interest in arranging music. **Gary Crouth** was born in upstate New York , playing guitar as a child and but studying chemical engineering in college while nurturing an appreciation for the Blues. His style is deeply rooted in traditional and contemporary music, early country, sixties pop and the Blues; and,

WHEREAS, tracks from their debut CD in 2012 have been played on radio programs throughout the US, Europe, Australia and New Zealand, and they released their second CD, Goody Shoes, in March 2014. They have appeared locally at the Cup and Chaucer Café, the Three Rivers Arts Festival, Carnegie Lecture Hall, Schenley Plaza, SongSpace at First Unitarian, Pittsburgh Public Market, Calliope: Pittsburgh's Folk Music Society, the International Children's Festival and Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh as well as venues in New York, Michigan and Ohio; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize, commend and congratulate **The Squirrel Hillbillies** for their innovative music style and their enjoyable, entertaining performances ; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Tuesday, April 29, 2014, to be "**THE SQUIRREL HILLBILLIES DAY**" in the City of Pittsburgh.