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WHEREAS, Councilmember *Natalia Rudiak* represents Pittsburgh's fourth district on City Council, currently serving as the Finance and Law Committee Chair; and,

WHEREAS, Natalia was born to John Rudiak and Helena Kusiolek, who married John in Poland in April of 1977 and later immigrated from Poland in November to be with her husband who resided in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and,

WHEREAS, born and raised in South Pittsburgh, Natalia graduated from Carrick High School; earned a bachelor's degree in international development studies from George Washington University; during her undergraduate career, she studied at the London School of Economics and Political Science as well as the Jagiellonian University in Poland and she went on to earn a Master's Degree in Public Policy and Management from Carnegie Mellon University; and,

WHEREAS, Ms. Rudiak has been presented with numerous awards over the years including being named one of the 40 Under 40 by PUMP and Pittsburgh Magazine, was voted Young Democrat of the Year, named Outstanding Elected Democratic Woman by the Federation of Democratic Women, and this year, The Young Elected Officials Network awarded Natalia the prestigious Leadership Award for her work engaging young elected officials in the State of Pennsylvania; and,

WHEREAS, in April of 2013, Natalia was named Pennsylvania State Director of the Young Elected Officials Network; and she is currently a Board Member of the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh and the Pittsburgh Economic & Industrial Development Corporation; and,

WHEREAS, Ms. Rudiak has made numerous trips to Poland, is fluent in Polish and has recently been named Polonian of the Year by the Polish American Congress, Western PA Division and will be honored at a dinner on Sunday, October 19, 2014; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend our colleague who serves as an inspiration to young women in Pittsburgh and personifies a true Polonian; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Tuesday, October 14, 2014, to be "*Natalia Rudiak Day*" in the City of Pittsburgh.