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WHEREAS, the mission of **The Tamburitzans** is to deliver goodwill for the City of Pittsburgh by perpetuating international cultural heritages through performance, showcasing a variety of folk cultures which are an integral part of Pittsburgh's artistic heritage; and,

WHEREAS, over 80 years, **The Tamburitzans** promoted cultural awareness through their excellent shows and encouraged intellectual achievement by granting scholarships to their performers. As the successor troupe to the Duquesne University Tamburitzans, **The Tamburitzans** are adept at presenting the cultures of Eastern Europe, expanding its scope to include additional cultures that comprise America's diverse population; and,

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Pittsburgh International Folk Arts Institute is to advance the positive image of Pittsburgh as America's model for "progress in diversity" by perpetuation of international cultural heritages through performance and folk arts programs for the global community. It will serve as stewards of The Tamburitzans by sourcing scholarships for deserving students from a consortium of Pittsburgh-based universities while providing resources and support for a performing arts ensemble as well as education, training, library and archives, research, community outreach and development; and,

WHEREAS; this partnership between the Pittsburgh International Folk Arts Institute and The Tamburitzans is dedicated to creating a national and international presence, bringing recognition and acclaim to Pittsburgh and its distinguished universities; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize the past, present and future contributions of **The Tamburitzans** and commends and congratulates **The Tamburitzans** for being global cultural ambassadors; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Tuesday, March 24, 2015, to be "TAMBURITZAN DAY" in the City of Pittsburgh.