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WHEREAS, in 2008, the non-profit Get Involved! was founded by dedicated community leader and County Councilman Tom Baker; and,

WHEREAS, Get Involved!'s mission is to provide leadership and development programs and initiatives that engage, energize, educate, and empower students, young professionals, and lifelong learners to make a positive difference in their communities and to become civically engaged; and,

WHEREAS, Get Involved!'s hope is that student leaders will make better career transitions by becoming or staying active; and,

WHEREAS, Get Involved! inspires, educates, and springs interested participants into action by coordinating courses, events, and seminars focused on vitally essential issues such as service, leadership, and philanthropy; and,

WHEREAS, Get Involved! organizes Service Summits, which bring together hundreds of students, young professionals, and community leaders to learn from keynote speakers about best practices and strategies to make a larger difference in the region; and,

WHEREAS, Get Involved! has coordinated four Service Summits in Pittsburgh, two Service Summits in Harrisburg, PA, and the first ever Washington D.C. Service Summit; and,

WHEREAS, the 2015 Service Summit will be held on March 25, 2015, at Carlow University, and will honor award winners in the non-profit, business, and governmental sectors who dedicate their time and talent to community organizations and who are making a positive difference in the region:

Awardees:

Get Involved! Man of the Year - 2015 Honoree: Grant Oliphant

Get Involved! Woman of the Year- 2015 Honoree: LaTasha Wilson-Batch

Get Involved! Male Emerging Leader Award 2015 Honoree: Austin Davis

Get Involved! Female Emerging Leader Award 2015 Honoree: Brittany Reno

Dr. Tom Baker Community Leader Award 2015 Honoree: Jason Rivers

"The Patty Award"- Patty Verostko Award for Child Advocacy 2015 Honoree: Danielle and Patrik McKain of Jameson's Army

Western PA Rising Stars:

Marisa C. Bartley, Matt Burnett, Tom Duer, Maria Gerardi, Mike Herald, Jessica Hickman, Toshua Jarrett, Brianna Kiesel, Suzanne Kerlin, Rebecca Lane, Justin Matase, Anna Phillips, Christine Pietryga, Kari Shaffer,

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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize Councilman Tom Baker and Get Involved!, Inc. for organizing annual Service Summits focused on service and civic engagement that impact the lives of thousands of individuals annually; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare March 25, 2015 to be “Get Involved, Inc.! Service Summit Day” in the City of Pittsburgh.