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WHEREAS, an estimated one in four women and one in six men will be sexually assaulted within their lifetime; and

WHEREAS, **Pittsburgh Action Against Rape (PAAR)** is an organization that provides comprehensive services to over 3,100 victims of sexual violence including men, women, children and the LGBTQ community; and

WHEREAS, since its founding in 1972, **PAAR** is one of the oldest rape crisis centers in the country, and remains the only organization in Allegheny County solely dedicated to serving victims of sexual violence and preventing sexual violence; and

WHEREAS, **PAAR** strengthens the community by providing services that include medical and legal advocacy, a 24/7 helpline, counseling, and prevention programs for K-12 schools, parents, colleges and universities; and

WHEREAS, April is **Sexual Assault Awareness Month**, and on April 16, 2016, community members will gather at the Fairmont Pittsburgh, for **PAAR's** annual celebration, in honor of survivors of sexual violence; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize and commend the important work and contributions that **Pittsburgh Action Against Rape** provides on a daily basis, and does hereby declare April 16, 2016 to be "**PAAR Day**" in the City of Pittsburgh.