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WHEREAS, Multiple Sclerosis (MS) is a neurological disease of the central nervous system, affecting 2.3 million people worldwide; and,

WHEREAS, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society-Pennsylvania reports that in our state, more than 24,000 people are living with MS, and that the disease generally strikes people in the prime of life, between ages 20-50. The cause and course of the often debilitating symptoms of MS remain unknown and no cure currently exists; and,

WHEREAS, the **National Multiple Sclerosis Society** has committed for 73 years to a world free of MS, heightening public knowledge about and insight into the disease; and,

WHEREAS, since 1946, the **National Multiple Sclerosis Society** has been a driving force of MS research, relentlessly pursing prevention, treatments and a cure, and has invested more than \$1 Billion in groundbreaking research; and,

WHEREAS, funds raised through the NMSS fuel \$24 million funding 3210 research projects at the best medical centers, universities and institutions throughout the United States and the world, leading maun breakthroughs; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize the importance of finding the cause and cure of MS and expresses its admiration and dedication that the **National Multiple Sclerosis Society-Pennsylvania Keystone Chapter** has shown toward a future free of MS; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare March 10-16, 2019, to be "MS AWARENESS WEEK" in the City of Pittsburgh.