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Resolution authorizing, pursuant to Chapter 173 of the Pittsburgh City Code, the naming of a public fountain located at the northeastern corner of Allegheny Commons as “The Patricia Regan Rooney Memorial Fountain.”
(Public Hearing held 6/16/21)

WHEREAS, born on Taylor Avenue in the nearby Central Northside’s Mexican War Streets, Mrs. Patricia Regan Rooney was a community leader dedicated to building a safer and more vibrant Northside for all; and,

WHEREAS, Mrs. Rooney was dedicated to uplifting residents of Pittsburgh through her involvement in many organizations, including the Salvation Army and the Pittsburgh Parks Conservancy; and,

WHEREAS, her tireless dedication and advocacy for her beloved community helped to advance the ongoing transform Allegheny Commons, including the recently reconstructed northeastern fountain; and,

WHEREAS, Mrs. Rooney and former United States Ambassador to Ireland and former Steelers Chairman Dan Rooney met while she was working in the Steelers’ offices, and went on to be married for 65 years; and,

WHEREAS, Mrs. and Ambassador Rooney raised nine children, including current Steelers President Art Rooney II, and were grandparents to 18 grandchildren and great-grandparents to 6 great-grandchildren; and,

WHEREAS, Mrs. Rooney passed away in January 2021, leaving behind an indelible legacy of service to the Northside communities, our city, our region, and our country, and the name of this fountain will serve as a small token of our City’s and our residents’ appreciation of her commitment to serving others.

Be it resolved by the Council of the City of Pittsburgh as follows:

Section 1. Pursuant to Chapter 173 of Pittsburgh City Code, the Mayor and the Director of Public Works are hereby authorized and directed to officially name the northeastern fountain within Allegheny Commons Park, located near the intersection of East North Avenue and Cedar Avenue, as “The Patricia Regan Rooney Memorial Fountain.”