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WHEREAS, Big Brothers Big Sisters makes meaningful, monitored matches between adult volunteers ("Bigs") and children ("Littles"), ages 5 through young adulthood in communities across the country; and,

WHEREAS, two Pittsburgh matches, Lindsay Litterini & Sarah and Jared Latchaw & Jamari, are the 2024 Matches of the Year for Pennsylvania; and,

WHEREAS, the award is given annually to two Bigs (mentors) in the Big Brothers Big Sisters of America program who went above and beyond to provide quality guidance and support to their "Littles," or mentees; and,

WHEREAS, entering their eighth year together, Lindsay and her Little Sister, Sarah, first met during Sarah's sixth-grade year when she was a shy, introverted, bullied middle schooler; and,

WHEREAS, Lindsay and Sarah's match experience grew into mutual trust, respect, friendship, and genuine love for each other. Today, Sarah is a vibrant, outgoing, caring college student with a focused plan for her future; and,

WHEREAS, six years ago, Jamari enrolled in the BBBS program as a fun, high-energy, and enthusiastic boy. He had no male role model and was not learning social skills, developing his abilities, or seeing his potential; and,

WHEREAS, since being matched with Jared, Jamari has grown into a kind and respectful young man. His behavior is improving in school, and he gets good grades; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize the outstanding mentorship of Lindsay Litterini and Jared Latchaw and the wonderful growth of their Littles, Sarah and Jamari; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Tuesday, May 7, 2024, to be "**MATCHES OF THE YEAR DAY**" in the City of Pittsburgh.