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**WHEREAS,** The Greater Allen African Methodist Episcopal Church will host the 142<sup>ND</sup> annual Pittsburgh Conference of the Third Episcopal District of the African Methodist Episcopal Church on Wednesday September 2, 2009 through Sunday September 6, 2009; and

**WHEREAS**, the 142<sup>nd</sup> Annual AME Pittsburgh Conference will include Revival Services on September 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> in the evenings, beginning at 8:00 PM at the Greater Allen African Methodist Episcopal Church at 3600 California Avenue; and

**WHEREAS**, this year's annual conference welcomes The Right Reverend C. Garnett Henning, Presiding Bishop of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Episcopal District and his wife, Episcopal Supervisor, Ernestine Lee Henning.; and

**WHEREAS,** the African Methodist Episcopal Church was born Sunday, November 4, 1787, when Richard Allen, Absalom Jones and other persons of color walked out of St. George Methodist Church because of racism and then organized Bethel Church in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the African Methodist Episcopal Church is to minister to the spiritual, intellectual, physical, emotional, and environmental needs of all people by spreading Christ's liberating gospel through word and deed; and

**WHEREAS,** the motto of the African Methodist Episcopal Church is "*God Our Father, Christ Our Redeemer, the Holy Spirit Our Comforter, Humankind Our Family*" is a great summary of what the African Methodist Episcopal Church believes and is a testament to the modernity of the values of the AME;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby welcome Bishop C. Garnett Henning Senior and Mrs. Ernestine Lee Henning, and delegates of the 142<sup>nd</sup> annual AME conference; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare the week of August 31 through September 6, 2009, to be "Greater Allen AME Church and Annual Conference Week" in the City of Pittsburgh.

Passed in City Council Tuesday September 1, 2009.

Douglas Shields President of Council Attest: Linda M. Johnson-Wasler City Clerk

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