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WHEREAS, since 2001, September has been designated National Pain Awareness Month as part of the Decade of Pain Research and Treatment established by Congress to bring attention to the very real physical suffering of an estimated 75 million Americans, and to highlight the need for research and new treatment options; and,

WHEREAS, medical technology exists to relieve or greatly reduce most pain, yet many who suffer still go untreated, under treated, or improperly treated; and,

WHEREAS, The Pittsburgh Chronic Pain Association and the Pennsylvania Chronic Pain Association are growing organizations comprised of pain sufferers, physicians, nurses, social workers, pharmacists, chaplains, therapists, civic leaders, non-profit organizations, and healthcare businesses whose mission is to improve the quality of life for people in the City of Pittsburgh experiencing pain; and,

WHEREAS, untreated, chronic pain may potentially rob Pittsburghers of their quality of life affecting their physical, psychological, social and spiritual well-being; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend the efforts done on behalf of the millions of Americans who suffer with pain; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare the month of September to be "Pain Awareness Month" in the City of Pittsburgh.