

City of Pittsburgh

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WHEREAS, hospitals do not apply and winners do not pay to market this honor, Thomson Reuters, a leading provider of information and solutions to improve the cost and quality of healthcare, uses objective research and independent public data to recognize the best U.S. hospitals; and

WHEREAS, selected from more than 1,000 U.S. hospitals, the 50 Top Cardiovascular Hospitals is an annual quantitative study that identifies the nation's best of Cardiovascular services, the winners provide top-notch care and set new standards for the health care industry; and

WHEREAS, the 50 Top Cardiovascular Hospitals spend an average of \$4,000 per bypass surgery case, have significantly better 30 day survival, maintain lower 30-day readmission rates for heart attack and heart failure returning patients to daily life, on average, half a day earlier; and

WHEREAS, hospitals treating a broad spectrum of cardiology patients, including those being treated for heart attacks of heart failure and those undergoing percutaneous coronary intervention or coronary artery graft surgery were evaluated in the following areas:

Clinical Outcome Measures: Risk-Adjusted Mortality and Risk-Adjusted Complications; Clinical Process Measures: Core Measures and Percentage of CABG Patients with Internal Mammary Artery Use;

Extended Outcome Measures: 30-Day Mortality and 30-Day Readmissions;

Efficiency Measures: Severity-Adjusted Average Length of Stay and Wage and Severity-Adjusted Average Cost per Case; and

WHEREAS, the leadership team, medical staff and employees of AGH, together have set national benchmarks for the highest balanced performance in the nation demonstrating the values AGH provides to the Pittsburgh region and community in cardiovascular care:

Judy Zedreck, Interim President and CEO & COO, AGH
George Magovern, Jr., MD, WPAHS Chairman, Thoracic & Cardiovascular Surgery
Srinivas Murali, MD, WPAHS Director, Division of Cardiovascular Medicine
Mary Lee Chapas, Interim Chief Nurse Executive, AGH
Charles Rakaczky, VP, Cardiovascular & Medicine Service Lines, WPAHS Physician Organization
Rene Pallotti, Manager, Surgical Intensive Care Unit, AGH
Molly Sinclair, Manager, Cardiac Intensive Care Unit, AGH
Jessica Lazar, Director, Cardiology, Quality, Research and Education, AGH
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize and honor Allegheny General Hospital on being named one of the nation's 50 Top Cardiovascular Hospitals by

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare July 24, 2012 to be the "**AGH 50 Top Cardiovascular Hospitals Day**" in the City of Pittsburgh.