

## City of Pittsburgh

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WHEREAS, Yves Jean is a local musician who creates music that arises from the "collision of grief and groove"; and

WHEREAS, Jean has organized a benefit concert on January 17 at Stage AE to raise awareness regarding the issue of youth violence in our community and beyond; and

WHEREAS, the concert benefits The Western Pennsylvania Youth Athletic Association and LHAS Teen Dating Violence and Awareness Program, organizations that provide productive outlets for young people; and

WHEREAS, Jean, a Haitian-American who grew up amidst the violence and poverty of the Bronx and Harlem in New York City, found music as a valuable escape from his surroundings,

WHEREAS, Jean's personal experience has inspired him to share the transcending force of music to bring us together in peace and harmony.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize Yves Jean for his dedication to improving our community through the power of music; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare January 17, 2013 to be "Yves Jean Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.