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*WHEREAS*, the Pittsburgh Public Theatre celebrated the beginning of its 40<sup>th</sup> season on October 2, 2014 with a revival of the Tennessee Williams classic, "The Glass Menagerie". The Public was founded in 1974 by Joan Apt, Margaret Rieck and Ben Shaktman and opened in 1975 with the production of "The Glass Menagerie"; and,

*WHEREAS*, the mission of the Pittsburgh Public Theater is to provide artistically diverse theatrical experiences of the highest quality. Pittsburgh Public Theater also strives to serve, challenge, stimulate and entertain while operating in a fiscally responsible manner;, and,

*WHEREAS*, The Public shares its resources with the community through education and outreach initiatives intended for a wide range of people with the goal of expanding and diversifying the audience while enriching the community; and,

*WHEREAS*, Ted Pappas celebrates his 15th season as Producing Artistic Director of Pittsburgh Public Theater and his 22nd year of close association with the company as a director; and,

*WHEREAS*, Mr. Pappas has provided active education programs and the annual Shakespeare Monologue & Scenes Contest for grades 4-12, and has staged more than 40 productions for The Public, including the works of Euripides, Shakespeare, Schiller, Wilde, Gilbert & Sullivan, and Sondheim; and,

*WHEREAS*, the Pittsburgh Public Theater's quality of leadership and contribution to Downtown's vitality illuminate its prominence as a part of Pittsburgh's cultural landscape; and,

*WHEREAS*, the Pittsburgh Public Theater's collaboration with famed directors, extraordinary actors and stunning production values, continues to give the City of Pittsburgh a world class theater experience.;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare December 9, 2014 to be "*Pittsburgh Public Theater Day*" in the City of Pittsburgh.