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**WHEREAS**, each year nearly 800,000 Americans suffer from strokes, of which 160,000 will die, making strokes the fifth leading cause of death in the United States; and,

**WHEREAS,** the Centers for Disease Control recommends exercising regularly, eating a healthy, low-sodium diet, not smoking, and other healthy lifestyle choices to help reduce the risk of having a stroke; and,

WHERAS, Allen Place, a nonprofit organization founded in 2009 by Milton & Jerry Ann Allen, works to improve health and wellness in the community through education and prevention programs; and,

**WHEREAS, Allen Place** made a commitment to reducing strokes on Pittsburgh's North Side by launching their stroke support program in 2012, which features nutritional demonstrations, CPR, AED, First Aid training, and health education workshops. Since then the program has expanded to serve other communities around the City and the Greater Pittsburgh area; and,

**WHEREAS,** on September 27th, 2015, **Allen Place**, along with 20 stroke ambassadors, 30 survivors with their caregivers, 300 family members and friends, and others will gather at the Family Life Center PROM (Partnerships Reaching the Organizational Mission) to provide support for all stroke survivors and caregivers.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize and commend **Allen Place** for providing important health and wellness programs to residents of the Pittsburgh region; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare **Sunday**, **September 27, 2015** to be "**Stroke Awareness Day**" in the City of Pittsburgh.