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WHEREAS, **Father Sean Hogan**, a native of County Limerick in Ireland, entered the Congregation of the Holy Spirit in 1959 and was ordained to the priesthood in 1967. First assigned to Nairobi, Kenya, he took a sabbatical in 1975 to Duquesne University and today, as the longest serving member of the University's Cabinet, **Fr. Hogan** will transition from Duquesne University's Executive Vice President of Student Life to the position as the first President of the newly formed Duquesne University Scholarship Association; and,

WHEREAS, at Duquesne University, **Fr. Hogan** was appointed Associate Director of Development in 1980 where he led the Law School's Capital Campaign for the construction of Hanley Hall. Two years later, he was named Founding Director of Duquesne University's Office of International Education which it grew from 15 international students to today's international census of 625 students from 77 countries; and,

WHEREAS, as Executive Vice President for Student Life since 1988, **Fr. Hogan** has shaped every aspect of the student experience at Duquesne University, which includes a nationally recognized student run Orientation Program, 180 student organizations, fraternities, sororities and residence halls. During **Fr. Hogan's** leadership, university enrollment increased 50% with dramatic rises in retention and graduation rates; and,

WHEREAS, **Fr. Sean Hogan** is "a member of the family" to many students and alumni, performing countless weddings and baptisms and staying in touch with many students as they matriculate through Duquesne. He personifies the human definition of serving God by serving students. In addition, to honor **Fr. Hogan's** remarkable contribution to Duquesne and its students, the student dining facility was renamed in 2001 to be the Sean Hogan Student Dining Center; and,

WHEREAS, in his new position as President of the Duquesne University Scholarship Association, he will lead a network of alumni volunteers who will work to raise money for need based scholarships. He will further his Spiritan predecessors' vision and his own personal commitment to make a Duquesne University education affordable for all.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize and commend **Fr. Sean Hogan** for a distinguished career at Duquesne University and congratulates **Fr. Hogan** for his iconic and beloved relationship with current students and scores of alumni. The Council wishes **Fr. Hogan** great success in his transition to his new position as President of the Duquesne University Scholarship Association; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Tuesday, September 22, 2015, to be "**FATHER SEAN HOGAN DAY**" in the City of Pittsburgh.