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WHEREAS, The Black Political Empowerment Project (B-PEP) is hosting the annual **B-PEP Jazz** event in association with the **Pittsburgh Jazz Society** and other local partners; and,

WHEREAS, this wonderful annual event is an important fundraiser for the worthy **B-PEP** organization and promotes many local artists, serving to highlight the role of Pittsburgh in the national and global jazz scene and to celebrate the many “vintage jazz” artists of Pittsburgh, including: Don Aliquo, Sr, Saxophonist; Norm Anderson, Drummer; Roger Barbour, Trumpeter; Harold Betters, Trombonist; Ron Bickel, Pianist; Bobby Cardillo, Pianist; Harry Clark, Trumpeter; Ken Cook, Trombonist/Drummer; Charles Cotrell, Pianist; Frank Cunimondo, Pianist; Joe Dallas, Trombonist; Ray Defade, Saxophonist; Don Depaolis, Pianist; Betty Douglas, Vocalist; Al Dowe, Trombonist; John Eskridge, Drummer; Tom Evans, Vocalist; Danny Goodson, Trombonist; George Green, Saxophonist; Dr. Nelson Harrison, Trombonist; Roger Humphries, Drummer; John Hughes, Pianist; George Jones, Congalero; Dave Lee, Drummer; Harold ‘Brushes’ Lee, Drummer; Jerry Lucarelli, Pianist; Ernest Mccarty, Bassist; Tony Mowod, Vibraphonist/Conga Drums; Carl Murphy, Drummer; Art Nance, Saxophonist; Joe Negri, Guitarist; Fred Pryor, Drummer; Spider Rondinelli, Drummer/Vocalist; Sonny Sunseri, Bassist; Chuck Spatafore, Drummer; Lou Stellute, Saxophonist; George ‘Duke’ Spaulding, Pianist; Tim Stevens, Vocalist; George Thompson, Saxophonist; John “Puggy” Thompson, Congalero; Horace Turner, Multi-Instrumentalist; and Hon. J. Warren Watson, Saxophonist; and,

WHEREAS, this year’s event will take place on Monday, March 28th 2016 at the University of Pittsburgh University Center on Lytton Avenue in the Oakland neighborhood, featuring dozens of artists in a six-hour jazz marathon to celebrate the culture of Jazz in our great city; and,

WHEREAS, this year’s event will be specially dedicated to the memory of jazz vocalist “Chizmo” Charles Anderson, pianist Donna Davis, pianist Annie Friedland, drummer Joe Harris, drummer Phillip “Butch” Jones, and pianist Jerry Melega; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh joins **B-PEP** in celebrating **B-PEP Jazz**, and does hereby declare Monday, March 28th 2016 to be “**B-PEP Jazz Day**” in the City of Pittsburgh.