

City of Pittsburgh

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WHEREAS, throughout its history, Pittsburgh has been a city built on the innovation of individuals from around the world and that story continues today as new immigrants are moving to Pittsburgh in search of opportunity in the region's diverse economy; and,

WHEREAS, founded in 1959 as the Pittsburgh Council for International Visitors, Global Pittsburgh is a nonprofit organization seeking to attract international students and professionals to Pittsburgh, connect globally -minded individuals through programming efforts, and welcome international diplomats to Pittsburgh; and,

WHEREAS, thanks to the generous support of sponsors and partners, Global Pittsburgh is honoring 32 immigrant-entrepreneurs nominated by members of the community for innovation in business, medicine, technology, start-up, education, law, culinary and other sectors of Pittsburgh's vibrant and ever-growing economy, and the organization is presenting eight of these 32 individuals with awards for their achievements; and,

WHEREAS, the 32 nominees and eight award-winners embody the multicultural diversity that has helped to transform Pittsburgh and hail from India, Germany, Mexico, Romania, Ukraine, Turkey, Peru, France, Sweden, Russia, Guatemala, Bosnia, Syria, Serbia, Cuba, Italy, Kuwait, Iran, Kenya, and Ireland; and,

WHEREAS, from expanding the minds of college students and diversifying Pittsburgh's growing food scene to teaching new languages and curing illnesses, the nominees have each made a unique mark on Pittsburgh and the lives of its residents and visitors; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize Global Pittsburgh for embracing and enhancing multicultural diversity in the Pittsburgh region and does hereby celebrate the 32 immigrant nominees and eight award winners for their achievements in innovation and entrepreneurship and for creating a more vibrant Pittsburgh; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Wednesday, December 14, 2016 to be "Global Pittsburgh Immigrant Entrepreneur Celebration Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.