

## City of Pittsburgh

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**WHEREAS**, multiple sclerosis (MS) is a neurological disease of the central nervous system, affecting 2.3 million people worldwide; and,

WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Keystone Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society serves more than 23,000 people diagnosed with MS, generally striking people in the prime of life between ages 20-50 and causing unpredictable effects. The cause and cure remain unknown; and,

WHEREAS, for 69 years, the PA Keystone Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society has been committed to creating a world free of MS, heightening public knowledge and resources so people with MS can live their best lives. Since 1946, the National MS Society has been a driving force in research, prevention, treatment and finding a cure and has invested million dollars in groundbreaking research in more than 380 research projects at the best medical centers, universities and other institutions; and,

**WHEREAS**, discovering a cause, finding a cure and preventing future generations from being diagnosed with MS is an important task that all Americans and Pennsylvanians should support; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize the importance of finding the cause and cure of MS and expresses its admiration and dedication that the **National Multiple Sclerosis Society-Pennsylvania Keystone Chapter** has shown toward a future free of MS; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare March 5-11, 2017 to be "MS AWARENESS WEEK" in the City of Pittsburgh.