

## City of Pittsburgh

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**WHEREAS,** Helping Ourselves Produce Excellence (H.O.P.E.) for Tomorrow, Inc. is a non-profit agency whose mission is to develop youth in the West End to compete in the global community by addressing academic, socio-economic and relational risk factors; and,

**WHEREAS**, service programs are implemented with a holistic approach to meet the mission which includes emotional and social development; a training program for youth beginning in 5<sup>th</sup> grade through the second year of post-secondary education to develop entrepreneurial skills and business management; a health and fitness program to establish lifelong healthy living skills; and daily living skills including goal setting and decision making; and,

*WHEREAS*, these services are provided through the partnerships developed with local school districts, churches, and juvenile and adult court systems. In addition, H.O.P.E. for Tomorrow, Inc. relies upon volunteers whose dedication helps to empower individuals to live a more productive life and have a more positive future; and,

WHEREAS, we would like to recognize the following partners and volunteers for their work with H.O.P.E for Tomorrow, Inc.: Partners: Encore Event Design, Sheraden United Methodist Church, Abiding Faith Ministries, 3 Rivers Grace Church, Kids of Steel/Project R.U.N., Junior Achievement and Pittsburgh Langley K -8; Volunteers: Marlyn Paolino, Casaundra Williams, Breonna Westry, Maria Gonzalez, Megan Pisone, Drake Pedersen, Dan Weisberg, Leslie Preston, Dan LaVallee, David Colaizzi, Terrina LaVallee, Samantha Black, Gabriel Ayes, Jessica Brown, Scott Hilger, Kimberly McFaul, Nicole Brown, Nicole Anderson, Andi Snead, Alesia Ivey, LaToya Rainey-Johnson, Kita Griffin, Danielle Darr-Boekhoudt Hurt, Tia Baker, Pastor Charity Jere, Antoinette Eberhardt- Ralph, NaTasha Bankston-Nevels, Steve Danko, Stacey Hill, Christian Moore, Ricky Moody, Julius Boatwright, Dionna Rojas, Calvin Murphy, Kara Prentice, Kenton McFaul, Trisha Powell, Nick Fischer, Stewart 'Stu' Jones, Cicely KaiKai, Heidi Cain, Dung Doan, Becky Arturo, John Paul Gomez, Sonya Boyne and Administrative Assistant Aliyah Jackson; Board Members: Gordon Manker, Terra Paolino, Sylvia Smith, Michele Welsh-Gamble and Marisa Molnar; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend H.O.P.E. for Tomorrow and thank the many volunteers, staff and board members for helping to restore hope for tomorrow to many of our residents; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>May 9, 2017</u>, to be "**H.O.P.E. for Tomorrow Volunteers' Day**" in the City of Pittsburgh.