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WHEREAS, on February 10, 2019, Sheriff William P. Mullen of Banksville celebrated 50 years in law enforcement; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Mullen joined the Pittsburgh Police Bureau on February 10, 1969 where he served 37 years working his way through the ranks to Narcotics Detective, Homicide Lieutenant, Commander, Assistant Chief of Operations, Assistant Chief of Investigations and Deputy Chief. As Deputy Chief, he established the cold case squad and a squad for forensic examination of computers; and,

WHEREAS, after retiring from the city, he assumed the position of Allegheny County Chief Deputy Sheriff in 2006 and the same became the 53rd Sheriff of Allegheny County elected four terms, currently serving 2017-2022; and,

WHEREAS, as Sheriff, he enhanced the department in many ways including, but not limited to, implementing a Courthouse Emergency Response Team created for crisis situations in court facilities, enacting strict fiscal controls enabling the Sheriff's Office to remain under budget since he has been in office, establishing a Mortgage Conciliation Program and Foreclosure Assistance Hotline reducing mortgage foreclosures by over 2,000 from the years 2006 to 2014 and he secured grant funding for suppression operations in local communities infested with gun violence, gang presence and drug activity; and,

WHEREAS, in addition, he has involved the office in charity work, such as delivering Thanksgiving turkeys to disadvantaged families. Friends and peers describe him as having a tough exterior, with a compassionate heart, and an honorable Sheriff who remains humble and leads by example; and,

WHEREAS, during his tenure with the city, he received numerous commendations for solving serial rape and murder cases and was recognized by the F.B.I. and D.E.A. for the solution of high-profile investigations. As Sheriff, he was heralded as one of the top 50 Irish law enforcement executives by the Irish Echo in New York City; and,

WHEREAS, Sheriff Mullen likes to enjoy time with his family; his wife Judy of over forty years, their two sons and their granddaughter; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend and congratulate Sheriff William Mullen for fifty years of service; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare, Tuesday, March 5, 2019 to be "Sheriff William P. Mullen Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.