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WHEREAS, Mr. Bob Bauder graduated from Hopewell High School in his native Beaver County and then worked for a dozen years as an electrician at J&L Steel's Aliquippa plant, which later became known as LTV Steel, until the plant was closed in the year 2000; and,

WHEREAS, after a massive layoff, Mr. Bauder decided to attend college and earned a bachelor's degree in print journalism with a minor in American history from Penn State University when he was in his mid-30s; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Bauder began a journalism career that would span more than three decades. He worked as a reporter at the Bloomsburg Press-Enterprise for about six years before returning home to work as a reporter at the Beaver County Times. Fifteen years later, Mr. Bauder took a reporting job at the Pittsburgh Tribune-Review in 2010; and,

WHEREAS, in July, 2011, he became the Tribune-Review's Pittsburgh City Hall reporter and, after nine years on the beat, is the longest-tenured City Hall reporter in recent memory. After a decade at the Tribune-Review and 31 great years altogether in journalism, Mr. Bob Bauder plans to retire from the Trib on July 17, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, over the course of his career, he has traveled to the former Yugoslavia to report on the aftermath of war there and covered the 2000 Democratic National Convention in Los Angeles. He covered two Pittsburgh mayoral administrations and said the intensity of the Democratic mayoral race in 2013, which started with 13 candidates and ended with then-Councilman Bill Peduto receiving the party's nomination, "damn near killed me." The most widely read story he ever wrote which drew hundreds of emails and letters from around the world, was of a man known as "Charlie No Face", who suffered horrific injuries in an electrical accident in 1918 when he was only 8; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby congratulate Mr. Bob Bauder on his retirement and thank him for his years of service to the City of Pittsburgh; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare, July 17, 2020 to be "**Mr. Bob Bauder Day**" in the City of Pittsburgh.