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WHEREAS, The Hugh Lane Wellness Foundation was founded in 2017 to improve the health of the LGBTQ+ and HIV communities. They offer a variety of services and resources to their communities, as well as training for organizations to improve their capacities to serve LGBTQ+ clients and staff; and,

WHEREAS, Hugh Lane Wellness Foundation is named in memory of Hugh “Huey” Lane. Huey lived in a time where being out and openly talking about HIV were highly stigmatized. Hugh Lane Wellness Foundation strives to address both LGBTQ+ and HIV bias across the many intersections of their communities to create spaces and opportunities for individuals to be their authentic, courageous selves; and,

WHEREAS, Programs and services such as those at Hugh Lane Wellness Foundation help youth, build understanding and communication within families and communities. Creating affirming spaces for youth means improving outcomes by encouraging better mental health and improving well-being, safety, and permanency to reduce the impact of harmful health disparities, including suicidality ; and,

WHEREAS, Since 2021, The Hugh Lane Wellness Foundation have been hosting their annual “Chosen Family Cookout”, an event where LGBTQ+ youth, families and caregivers can celebrate themselves, Pride, and just have fun; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend The Hugh Lane Wellness Foundation for providing health, services and other resources to the LGBTQ+ and HIV communities ; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Saturday, June 25, 2022, to be “**Hugh Lane Wellness Foundation Day**” in the City of Pittsburgh.