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WHEREAS, Pittsburgh Steelers legend Jerome Bettis was selected to the Pro Bowl six times, named a First Team All-Pro twice, earned the Rookie of the Year, Comeback Player of the Year, and Walter Payton NFL Man of the Year award in 1993, 1996, and 2001, respectively; and,

WHEREAS, over the course of his storied career, “The Bus” scored 91 touchdowns and racked up 13,662 rushing yards, which is eighth on the NFL’s all-time rushing list. During the 2005 season, Jerome carried the Steelers to their fifth Super Bowl victory in his native Detroit. In 2015, he was enshrined into the Pro Football Hall of Fame; and,

WHEREAS, Jerome established the Bus Stops Here Foundation in 1997, and since that time, his generosity has changed the lives of countless children and adults in Detroit, Pittsburgh, and beyond; and,

WHEREAS, through Jerome’s leadership and the tireless work and passion of his dynamic team, including Beth Vietmeier, Gloria Bettis, Alexis Leyh, Kiley Dugan, and Frankie Grenick, the Foundation connects young people to opportunities to help them become healthy, confident, and productive members of society; and,

WHEREAS, through programs like Ready Fore Work and Innovation Huddle, the Foundation invests in brighter futures for our region’s children; and,

WHEREAS, the Foundation and the Boys & Girls Clubs of Western Pennsylvania recently partnered to launch the latest version of the CyberBus, an all-electric school bus built out as a mobile clubhouse that will bring the Boys & Girls Club experience to more kids throughout the region; and,

WHEREAS, through their annual holiday toy drive, the Foundation and their sponsors secured gifts for hundreds of children served by the Boys & Girls Clubs of Western Pennsylvania and their families, brightening the holidays for our neighbors who need it most; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Pittsburgh does hereby commend the dedication, compassion, and care of Jerome Bettis and the Bus Stops Here Foundation team and celebrate their work to change the lives of children in Pittsburgh; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby declares December 20, 2025, as “**Jerome Bettis’ Bus Stops Here Foundation Day**” here in the City of Pittsburgh.