

Bill No. 1800-04


## **APPOINTMENT**

Approving the reappointment of Representative Harry Readshaw to serve as a member of the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County for a term to expire March 23, 2009.

**In Council January 18, 2005.**

**Read and approved by Motion of Council.**

  
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Rich Fitzgerald  
President of Council

Attest:   
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John Mascio  
Chief Clerk of Council



# County of Allegheny

**DAN ONORATO**  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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December 14, 2004

Honorable Council President and Council Members  
Allegheny County Council  
119 Courthouse  
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Dear Council Members:

Please find the attached resume of Representative Harry Readshaw, whom I am recommending for reappointment to the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County.

The purpose of the Redevelopment Authority is to implement economic development programs and to carry out housing rehabilitation and development. Representative Readshaw's term will expire on March 23, 2009.

Representative Readshaw has been a member of the State Legislature since 1995. His experience and knowledge at the state level will continue to be an asset to the Redevelopment Authority. He presently serves on the Professional Licensure Committee, Consumer Affairs Committee and the Game and Fish Committee of the State Legislature.

I appreciate your consideration, and ask you to act on this appointment as quickly as possible. Representative Readshaw will make himself available for review before the appropriate committee if members of Council wish to speak with him.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dan Onorato", written over a horizontal line.

Dan Onorato

CC: Representative Harry Readshaw

Representative Harry Readshaw (D-36<sup>th</sup>, Allegheny)

A member of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives since 1995 is a life-long resident of the City of Pittsburgh and third-generation owner-operator of Readshaw Funeral Home, which was founded in 1912.

Readshaw, who served in the Marine Corps, attended the Pittsburgh Public Schools, Duquesne University and the Pittsburgh Institute of Mortuary Science. He is also the first certified funeral practitioner in Allegheny County.

Among his many group memberships are:

- American Legion Post 725
- American Legion Post 935
- National Welsh American Association
- Veteran's Political Council
- Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie 1520
- Conneaut Lake Sportsmen's Association
- Coraopolis Sportsmen's Association
- Monongahela Lodge No. 269 F & AM
- Scottish Rite, Valley of Pittsburgh
- Syria Temple AAONMS
- Royal Order of Jesters
- West Mifflin/South Hills Rotary Club
- Marine Corps League
- AARP
- Honorary Member F.O.P. Lodge 91
- Honorary life member of Park Volunteer Fire Co. #4
- Irish Caucus, St. David's Society of Pittsburgh, PA
- Federations of Sportsmen's Clubs
- Citizens for Neighborhood Schools
- Board Member of Western PA Maglev Development Corp.
- American Italian Caucus

- General John F. Hartranft Camp #15 Sons of Union Veteran's and Gettysburg Battlefield Preservation Association
- And other organizations

He is a former chairman of the committee on Excellence for Pittsburgh Public Schools and committee on redistricting; past president of the Carrick Business Association and Carrick Community Council. He has received two citations from the Pennsylvania House of Representatives for community and professional services. He has received many citations and honors from municipalities in the 36<sup>th</sup> Legislative District for service and obtaining state grant monies for local use and honors for his work at the Gettysburg Battlefield Monuments Project.

In 1994, after being encouraged by many people, he ran for the House of Representatives, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and won the election. He is now serving in his 5<sup>th</sup> term. The 36<sup>th</sup> Legislative District, which he serves, is comprised of 5 boroughs: Mt. Oliver, West Homestead, Brentwood, Baldwin and Whitehall; and portions of the City of Pittsburgh.

He presently serves on the Professional Licensure Committee (Democratic Secretary), Consumer Affairs Committee and Game and Fish Committee. He also is chairman of Allegheny County Sanitary Authority (ALCOSAN) and is the Secretary-Treasurer of the Allegheny County Redevelopment Authority.

His effort created the committee to restore and repair the Pennsylvania Monuments at Gettysburg Commission and continues in fund raising efforts for the endowment of the Pennsylvania Monuments. He has completed raising the necessary money to restore and repair the 146 Pennsylvania Monuments at the Gettysburg Battlefield, and is now in the process of raising money to endow the monuments for future generations.

Harry and his wife Carol, married since 1966, have three children, Hank, Megan and Malinda and four granddaughters, and two grandsons.



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DISTRICT 11  
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January 4, 2005

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DISTRICT 12  
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**JOHN DEFazio**  
AT-LARGE

Representative Harry Readshaw  
1917 Brownsville Road  
Pittsburgh, PA 15210

**DAVE FAWCETT**  
AT-LARGE

Dear Representative Readshaw:

**RON FRANCIS, JR.**  
DISTRICT 1

This is to inform you that Council President Rich Fitzgerald, Chairperson of Council's Committee on Appointment Review, has scheduled an Appointment Review Committee Meeting for 5:00 PM, **Tuesday, January 11, 2005** in Conference Room One, 119 County Courthouse.

**JAN REA**  
DISTRICT 2

**TOM SHUMAKER**  
DISTRICT 3

The Councilman requests your presence at the meeting to discuss your nomination for appointment to the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County. He indicated that those of you that were nominated for reappointment should be prepared to answer questions including how long you have served on the board, your biggest accomplishments on that board, and what you envision your future goals to be if reappointed.

**DOUG PRICE**  
DISTRICT 4

**VINCE GASTGEB**  
DISTRICT 5

**JOAN CLEARY**  
DISTRICT 6

Those of you that are new nominees should be prepared to answer questions relative to your background and qualifications and what you hope to accomplish if appointed.

**CHARLES MARTONI**  
DISTRICT 8

**C.L. JABBOUR**  
DISTRICT 9

If you have any questions regarding this please contact me at 412-350-6495.

**WILLIAM RUSSELL  
ROBINSON**  
DISTRICT 10

Sincerely,

**BRENDA FRAZIER**  
DISTRICT 13

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January 25, 2005

Representative Harry Readshaw  
1917 Brownsville Road  
Pittsburgh, PA 15210

Dear Representative Readshaw:

This is to inform you that at the Regular Meeting of Council held on January 18, 2005, Council approved your reappointment to serve as a member of the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County for a term to expire on March 23, 2009.

Congratulations on your appointment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rich Fitzgerald".

Rich Fitzgerald, President  
District 11 Representative

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