

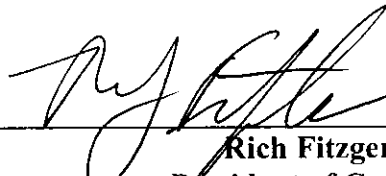
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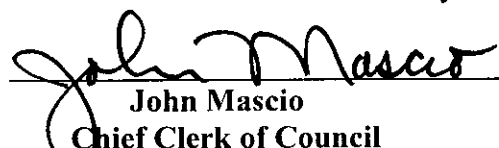
## APPOINTMENT

Approving the appointment of Rev. David W. Bethea to serve as a member of the Drug and Alcohol Planning Council of Allegheny County for a term to expire on December 31, 2011.

In Council February 19, 2008.

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

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# COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY

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January 10, 2008

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

Dear Council Members:

Please find the attached resume of Rev. David W. Bethea, whom I am recommending for appointment to the Drug and Alcohol Planning Council of Allegheny County.

The Council's purpose is to aid and assist, as the statutory and County Executive's approved citizen body, the County Executive and the Allegheny County DHS Director in the planning, development and implementation of the provision of services for individuals with addiction problems who are residents of Allegheny County. I am recommending that Rev. Bethea serve a three year term, ending on December 31, 2011.

Rev. Bethea currently serves as Pastor of Park Place A.M.E. Church in Homestead, where he serves as a member of the Pittsburgh Annual Conference. He has also served as chairman of the Pittsburgh District Conference Lenten Concert Committee, and a member of the Pittsburgh District Conference Church School Board.

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

Sincerely,



Dan Onorato

ALLEGHENY COUNTY COUNCIL

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## BIOGRAPHY

**Reverend David W. Bethea**, was born in Hamlet, North Carolina on 26 June 1953. Upon completion of his educational courses of study at North Carolina Agriculture and Technical State University along with the Reserve Officers Training Corps curriculum, he was awarded a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration and commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the United States Army.

While in the military, he served in a variety of career building assignments which concluded with the position as Assistant Program Manager, United States Army, Tank-Automotive Command, Warren, Michigan. His military education includes; the United States Army Command and General College, and extensive training as a Contracting and Procurement Officer. His Military honors include: promotion to the rank of Major, the Army Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, the Army Service Ribbon, as well as two Overseas Service Ribbons.

After 14 years of military duty, he entered Payne Theological Seminary, Wilberforce, Ohio on January 9, 1990 in response to a call to Christian ministry. While matriculating at Payne Seminary, he served on numerous committees, boards, and professional organizations, such as; the National Association of Black Seminarians, also he participated in many workshops and conferences on issues facing the Poor which concluded with his Vows of Poverty.

While in seminary he served as a supply pastor at St. Paul AME Church, London, Ohio. There he served as the mayor=s appointee on the City of London Housing Advisory Board, as well as Vice President of the Board of Directors of the Madison County Prevention Assistance Coalition Team. In recognition of his services to the London community, he received the Community Service Award, and cited by letter from the Mayor, as well.

In 1993, he was ordained an Itinerant Elder in the A.M.E. Church and received the Master of Divinity degree from Payne Theological Seminary. Among his numerous awards while attending Seminary are: the Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges, the National Scholarly Achievement Award presented by the American Bible Society, and the Bishop John Douglas Bright Memorial Scholarship (AMEC).

After graduation, he served as Pastor of Mason Chapel A.M.E. Church, Finley, Ohio. Followed by appointment to Mitchell Chapel, A.M.E. Church, Mansfield, Ohio. There he also performed as the TERRA Community College Counselor for the Ohio Procurement Technical Assistance Center, the Central City Economic Development Council as the Micro-Enterprise Program Director and Executive Director for the Non-Profit Housing Organization. Also he served under appointment by the Mayor to the Mansfield Human Relations Commission, Chaplin of the Mansfield Police Department, performed duties as a Chaplin of the Richland County Sheriff Department and Chaplin of the Mansfield Fire Department. He served as a board member of the 5th District, Area Agency on Aging, Mansfield Ministerial Association, Mansfield Inter-Church Council, Mansfield Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance, the Clergy Advisory Group of the V.N.A. of North Central Ohio HOSPICE, the Advisory Group of the Exchange Club of Mansfield, the Race Relations Committee of the Mansfield/Richard County Area Chamber of Commerce, the Community Health Committee of the North Central Ohio Health Care Coalition, Inc., and former Coach of Team B, Vaudeville, Odyssey of the

Mind Program, Ranchwood Elementary School. In 1996, Pastor Bethea was selected to attend the prestigious Mansfield/Richard County Area Chamber of Commerce Leadership Program.

He has served as Pastor of New North Street A.M.E. Church, Springfield, Ohio, where he served as Housing Counselor with the Springfield Community Redevelopment Corporation. He also served on Springfield Urban League and Community Center, Board of Directors, the New North Street A.M.E. Church Housing Development, Inc. Board of Directors, and Vice President of the Ohio Valley Ministerial Group, Inc.

He has served as Pastor of Saint Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church, Urbana, Ohio, where he served as the Site Director for the Adult and Continuing Education (UU4Life), Urbana University, Urbana Ohio. He also served as Treasurer of the Champaign County Ministerial Association, and founder and member of the Urbana Society of African-American Biblical Literature, the Urbana Society for the Study of Black Religion, as well as founder and Chairman of the Board of the Champaign County Martian Luther King, Jr. Commemorative Celebration Committee.

Currently Pastor Bethea serves as the Pastor of Park Place A.M.E. Church, Homestead, Pa., where he serves as a member of the Pittsburgh Annual Conference; Board of Trustee, Board of Examiners, Board of Examiners Instructor, and Past Chairman of the Presiding Elders Salary Committee. He also has served as the Chairman of the Pittsburgh District Conference Lenten Concert Committee, Vice Chairperson of the Pittsburgh District Conference Finance Committee, and a member of the Pittsburgh District Conference Church School Board.

Rev. Bethea is the Founder and Chairman of the Martian Luther King, Jr. Commemorative Celebration Committee (Homestead).

Pastor Bethea has authored numerous articles and currently he is completing a manuscript entitled, "Rediscovering the Mourner's Bench: A Black Church Response to Poverty."

Pastor Bethea is married to **Kathleen Y. Armstrong-Bethea**. They have two daughters: **Kathryn Alexandra** and **Lauren Ashleigh**.

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