

No. 20-09-RE

## A RESOLUTION

A Resolution of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Honoring the memory and giving thanks for the life and service of John Richard Mascio, Allegheny County Council's first Chief Clerk.

**Whereas**, John Richard Mascio was born January 13, 1952, and spent his formative years in the Bloomfield neighborhood of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, with sisters Jayne and Judy and parents Richard and Christine; and

**Whereas**, John Mascio passed away on Friday, May 29, 2009, in Pittsburgh, PA, at 57 years of age; and

**Whereas**, John Mascio met Nina Milazzo in 1979, and the two were married in 1982; and

**Whereas**, John was the proud father of three sons, John P. Mascio, Danny Mascio, and Dino Mascio; and

**Whereas**, prior to dedicating his life to public service, John Mascio was employed as a paper boy at the age of eight, and later as a vendor at Forbes Field, landscaper, grocery clerk at Groceria Italiana in Bloomfield, and print shop worker; and

**Whereas**, John Mascio began his service to the residents of the County in 1976 as an aide for the Council of the City of Pittsburgh, and remained a faithful and dedicated City employee through 1999, at which time he was the Deputy City Clerk; and

**Whereas**, in 1999, the newly established Allegheny County Council chose John Mascio as its first employee, in the capacity of Chief Clerk, a position that he retained until his passing; and

**Whereas**, as Chief Clerk, John Mascio provided invaluable service to the residents of Allegheny County by guiding Allegheny County Council through its infancy and establishing the Council as an effective legislative body for the County; and

**Whereas**, throughout John's service to Allegheny County Council, his grace, wit, charm, and compassion, and the enthusiasm with which he shared his love of music and the performing arts inevitably made a tremendous impression upon his coworkers, all of whom came to regard him as a friend and mentor; and

**Whereas**, the skill and tact with which John provided advice and counsel to County Council and its staff will never be forgotten by those who were privileged to work with him; and

**Whereas**, John Mascio's other contributions to his community as a Eucharistic minister and choir member at St. Therese in Munhall, Pennsylvania, as a member of the Italian Sons and Daughters, as a loving father and husband, and as a citizen of the County are innumerable; and

**Whereas**, John's commitment to public service, skilled professionalism, and devotion to his family serve as inspirations to us all and, while we cannot hope to replace him, we will honor his memory by and emulating the spirit of his dedication;

***The Council of the County of Allegheny hereby resolves as follows:***

**Section 1.** The Council of Allegheny County hereby resolves to pause in its deliberations to honor the life and memory of John Richard Mascio, its first Chief Clerk, who dedicated his life to family and public service to his community.

**Section 2.** Council further resolves that a copy of this Resolution be presented to the family of Chief Clerk John Richard Mascio.

**Section 3. Severability.** *If any provision of this Resolution shall be determined to be unlawful, invalid, void or unenforceable, then that provision shall be considered severable from the remaining provisions of this Resolution which shall be in full force and effect.*

**Section 4. Repealer.** *Any Resolution or Ordinance or part thereof conflicting with the provisions of this Resolution is hereby repealed so far as the same affects this Resolution.*

**PRIMARY SPONSOR: PRESIDENT FITZGERALD**

**CO-SPONSORS: COUNCIL MEMBERS BURN, CLEARY, DeFAZIO, DROZD, ELLENBOGEN, FINNERTY, FUTULES, GASTGEB, GREEN, MACEY, McCULLOUGH, REA and ROBINSON, AND VICE PRESIDENT MARTONI**

Enacted in Council, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2009

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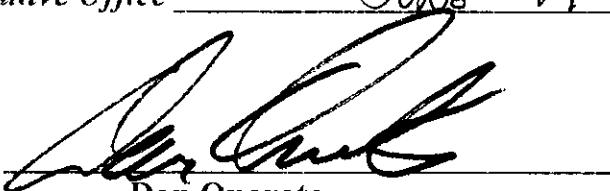
Rich Fitzgerald  
President of Council

Attest:



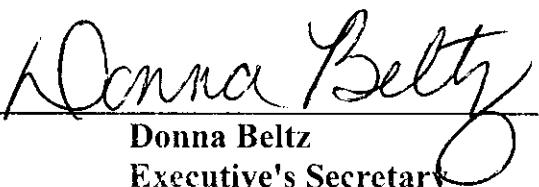
Chief Executive Office June 19, 2009

Approved:



Dan Onorato  
Chief Executive

Attest:



Donna Beltz  
Executive's Secretary