## **APPOINTMENT**

Approving the reappointment of William Sray to serve as a member of the Agricultural Land Preservation Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2016.

SPONSORED BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

**Allegheny County Council** 

In Council	APRIL	841	, 2014.
Read and approved by Motion of Council.			
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March 13, 2014

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

Dear Members of Council:

Please find the attached the biography of William Sray, whom I am recommending for reappointment to the Agricultural Land Preservation Board.

Purpose of the Board is to purchase the development rights of undeveloped farm land in Allegheny County. Development rights are held as easements against the property- land cannot be developed. Created by State law (ACT 149 of 1988) and funded by the State. He will continue to serve as the at-large member in term ending on December 31, 2016.

Mr. Sray graduated from Penn State University with a bachelor's degree in 1964. He was a member of the United States Air Force and a Vietnam War veteran. Mr. Sray owns and operates three farms in South Fayette townships.

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

Sincerely,

Rich Fitzgerald

Allegheny County Executive

CC: William Sray

### William Sray biography

Mr. Sray was born and raised on his family farm in South Fayette Township. He graduated from Penn State University in 1964 with a bachelor's degree. After graduating he enlisted in the U.S Air Force and is a veteran of the Vietnam War. Mr. Sray served as Mayor and Township Clerk in Upper Deerfield Township, New Jersey for 30 years. During that time he also owned and operated Sray Funeral home for 45 years. Upon his retirement in 2005 he returned home to Pittsburgh and purchased two farms in addition to his former homestead. He currently is a School Director in the South Fayette Township School District. Two of his three farms are registered in the Allegheny Farmland Preservation Program.

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April 9, 2014

Mr. William Sray, Owner/Operator Providence Farms 3402 Old Oakdale Rd. McDonald, PA 15057

Dear Mr. Sray:

This is to inform you that at the Regular Meeting of Allegheny Council held on April 8, 2014 Council approved your reappointment to serve as a member of the Agricultural Land Preservation Board, for a term to expire on December 31, 2016.

Congratulations on your reappointment and best of luck in this undertaking. We look forward to receiving your recommendations and stand willing to assist you in any way you believe appropriate.

Sincerely,

Jan Rea, Appointment Review Committee Chair

Allegheny County Council

Jan Rea

Dominic Rickert, Program Administrator, Allegheny County Economic Development Department

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