

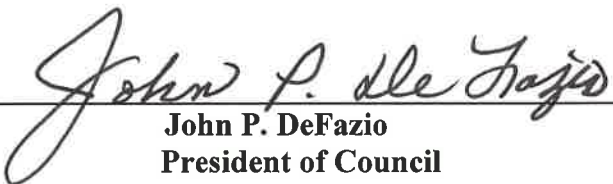
**APPOINTMENT**


Approving the reappointment of Sylvia Wilson to serve as a member of the Allegheny County Sanitary Authority for a term to expire on December 31, 2021.

**SPONSORED BY COUNTY EXECUTIVE FITZGERALD**

In Council JUNE 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

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

  
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**John P. DeFazio**  
**President of Council**

Attest:   
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**Jared Barker**  
**Chief Clerk**  
**Allegheny County Council**

COUNTY OF



ALLEGHENY

**RICH FITZGERALD**  
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

May 4, 2017

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

Dear Members of Council:

Please find the attached resume of Sylvia Wilson, whom I am recommending for reappointment to the Allegheny County Sanitary Authority.

The Allegheny County Sanitary Authority's authorized powers include among others, the collection, transportation, treatment and disposal of sewage in Allegheny County as well as certain adjacent areas and the collection, transportation, treatment and disposal of such industrial wastes as shall be acceptable to the Authority. I am recommending that Ms. Wilson serve another term that will expire on December 31, 2021.

Ms. Wilson is the School Director for District 1 in the Pittsburgh Public Schools. She also served as Assistant to the President for the Pittsburgh Federation of Teachers. Ms. Wilson received her Bachelor's degree from Carnegie Mellon University and her Master's degree from the University of Pittsburgh.

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

Sincerely,

Rich Fitzgerald

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*Pittsburgh, PA 15206-0812*

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## **PROFESSIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE**

December 2013 – present: Pittsburgh Public School District, School Director for District 1

February 2013 -- Retired from Pittsburgh Public Schools & Pittsburgh Federation of Teachers

September 1998 – February 2013: Assistant to President, Pittsburgh Federation of Teachers

September 2006 – February 2013: PFT Liaison to Pittsburgh Public Schools Human Resources

August 1993 – June 1998: Teacher, Pittsburgh Public Schools

Manchester Elementary School: Grade 4/5 academics/computer core teacher

August 1985 - June 1993: Teacher, Pittsburgh Public Schools

Miller Elementary School: Grades 3, 4, and 5 academics

September 1988 - June 1992: Instructional Teacher Leader, Intermediate Team

Miller Elementary School

September 1979 – 2010: Elected Secretary, Executive Board, Pittsburgh Federation of Teachers

Summer 1987 - 1998: Summer Staff, Assistant to President, Pittsburgh Federation of Teachers

August 1972 - June 1985: Teacher, Pittsburgh Public Schools; Spring Hill Elementary

School: All subjects (except music and library) Grades 2 - 5.

Fall 1971: Crescent Elementary School: Student teaching; grade 2.

## **OTHER EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE**

1970 (Spring/Summer): Crew Leader - 1970 Census, Pittsburgh

1970 (Summer): Caseworker Aid, Western Restoration Center, Pittsburgh

1969-1970: Interviewer, Prospective CMU Students, Carnegie Mellon Action Project, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh

1969 (Summer): Activities Aid, South Oakland Citizen's Council  
Project Achievement, Pittsburgh

1970 – 1971: Tutorial Teaching Experiences in Pittsburgh Public Schools --

East Hills (Temporary) Elementary School: Reading, grades 1 & 2;

Liberty Elementary School: Sewing/grade 8; Language Arts/grades 4-7

## **PITTSBURGH FEDERATION OF TEACHERS ACTIVITIES:**

July 1998 – January 2013                      PFT Staff, Assistant to the President

August 1972 – January 2013                  Member

September 1979 – June 2010                Elected Secretary, Executive Board

December 1976 - August 1979  
September 1972 – June 1998

Elected Elementary Representative, Executive Board  
Building Representative

1974 – 2012

Delegate at American Federation of Teachers' (AFT) and  
American Federation of Teachers Pennsylvania's (AFT PA)  
Conventions;  
Representative at AFT QUEST (Quality Educational Standards  
in Teaching) Consortiums;  
Member, Progressive Caucus (*Political*) AFT Conventions

*Progressive Caucus Activities (Internal Political Caucus -- AFT Conventions)*

2002 – 2012	Elected 1st Vice Chairperson, Executive Committee
1992 - 2002	Elected 2nd Vice Chairperson, Executive Committee
1988 - 1992	Elected Treasurer, Executive Committee
1982 - 1988	Elected Assistant Treasurer, Executive Committee
1978 - 2012	Social Committee, Chairperson
1976 - 2012	Steering Committee Member

*American Federation of Teachers Pennsylvania (AFT PA)*

2003 - 2013	Executive Council, Vice-President At-Large
1993 - 2003	Executive Council, Pittsburgh Vice-President
1992 - 1993	Executive Council, Representative At-Large
1987 - 1992	Co-chair, Nominations and Elections Committee

2000 – 2012

Pre K - 12 Program & Policy Council Member, AFT

**PFT COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS AND ACTIVITIES**

- Negotiations
- Health Care Cost Containment
- Pittsburgh "Professionalism and Education Partnership" (PEP), Steering Committee Co-Chair
- Educational Research and Dissemination, Teacher Research Linker
- Newspaper, *The PFT Point* (Associate Editor)
- Political Action
- Grass Roots Elementary Committees
- QuEST (Co-chairperson of PFT's QuEST Conference)
- Burdensome Paperwork
- Social Committee

**PFT REPRESENTATIVE ON SCHOOL DISTRICT TASK FORCES/COMMITTEES**

*Some committees present and past include:*

- Minority Recruitment Task Force (2-Subcommittees)
- Technology Task Force, Staff Development Subcommittee
- Strategic Plan Implementation, Human Resources Subcommittee
- Steering Committee - Elementary Model School Staff Development Center (Brookline Elementary Teacher Center)
- City Wide School Desegregation Task Force
- Discipline (Educators/Administrators developing effective methods)

**COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND INTERESTS**

Allegheny County Labor Council

2008 - present      Treasurer  
1994 - 2008      Vice President  
1988 - 1994      Recording Clerk  
1986 – present      PFT Delegate

Delta Kappa Gamma, Theta Chapter

2012 – present      Member

Allegheny County Sanitary Authority (ALCOSAN)

2000 -- present      Board of Directors, *Member*  
2006 -- present      Board of Directors, *Vice Chair*  
2004                      Board of Directors, *Treasurer*  
2005                      Board of Directors, *Assistant Treasurer*  
2006                      Board of Directors, *Chair*

Small Seeds Development, Inc.

2003 – present      Board of Directors

Democratic National Committee Member

2015 – present

Democratic Committee Woman

2002 – present      Elected, 12<sup>th</sup> Ward, 5<sup>th</sup> District

Pennsylvania Democratic Committee

2006 - present      At-Large Member

Allegheny County Democratic Black Caucus

2002 – present      Member; Treasurer

Just Harvest

2002 – 2007      Board of Directors

Negro Educational Emergency Drive (N. E. E. D.)

2000 - 2007      Alumni Association

WQED Multimedia

2004 - 2010      Board of Directors  
1994 - 2002      Member, Community Advisory Board

Pittsburgh Chapter APRI

2002 – present      Member; President

State Planning Board/Futures Council

1990-1994      Appointed by Governor Robert Casey, approved by Senate.  
(Advisory Committee to the Governor. Later renamed Futures Council  
by then acting Governor Mark Singel.)

Governor's Trial Court Nominating Commission

1992, 1994      Commission recommends to Governor, candidates to be considered  
for appointment to vacancies of the Common Pleas Court (Allegheny  
County)

Democratic National Convention

2016	Democratic National Committee Member
2012	Delegate Candidate for Barack Obama
2008	Delegate Candidate for Hillary Clinton
1984, 1988, 1992, 1996, 2000, 2004	Elected Delegate, 14th Congressional District (Mondale, Dukakis, Clinton, Gore, Kerry)

Pittsburgh Teachers Credit Union – renamed Riverset Credit Union

1980-present	Board of Directors, Member
1995-present	Secretary, Board of Directors

Carnegie Mellon University Black Alumni Association

1984 - present	Member
1987- 1989	President

Uptown Baseball Association (Uptown Little League and Pittsburgh RBI)

1988 – 1998	Program Coordinator
1985 - 1987	Secretary
1979 - 1988	Coach (Astros)
1980 - 1981	President, Parent's Auxiliary
1978 - 1980	Secretary, Parent's Auxiliary

Wilkinsburg Hornets Athletic Association (Midget Football League)

1985 - 1988	Elected Secretary of Board
1984 - 1988	Member of Board

POTADA (Parents of Teenage Alcohol and Drug Abusers)

[Self Help Group similar to & based on 12 step principles of AA]

1982 – 1989	Involved with program
1988	Chairperson of the Board
1986 – 1988	President of the Board ( <i>First to serve 2 terms</i> )
1985	Vice President

Due to involvement with POTADA:

- a. November 15, 1983      Featured in Women's Day magazine; advance of National showing of the "Chemical People" program (PBS)
- b. November 1983      Interviewed on National "Chemical People" program (PBS)
- c. December 1986      Participant on "For Kid's Sake" Special: "Our Kids and Drugs" KDKA-TV (CBS)
- d. September 1987      Presenter of a workshop "Drugs on Our Schools' Playgrounds and Campuses" for the Congressional Black Caucus Legislative Workshops: "Educating the Black Child"

Pittsburgh Club of The National Negro Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc.

1985 - present	Life Member
1991 – 1995	First Vice-President
1989	Assistant Recording Secretary

Pittsburgh Opportunities Industrialization Center, Inc. (O.I.C.)

1984 - 1987	Member, Board of Directors
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## **AWARDS/RECOGNITION**

October 2016	"Lifetime Service" recognition by Nahbi Christian Ministries
August 2011	One of 50 "WOMEN of EXCELLENCE" awarded by <i>The New Pittsburgh Courier</i>
2011	"Catherine Baker Knoll" Awardee, Allegheny County Democratic Committee
April 2008	APRI "RISING STAR" AWARDEE
March 2007	LABOR HONOREE, awarded by "Celebrate & Share" organization at their annual Women of Achievement Event
April 2005	LABOR UNION WOMAN OF THE YEAR, Allegheny County Labor Council
September 2002	MAIDA SPRINGER UNION WOMAN OF THE YEAR, PA Center for Labor Relations, Indiana University of Pennsylvania (IUP)
May 1999	KAY TILLOW AWARD, Pittsburgh Chapter, Coalition of Labor Union Women (CLUW)
1990	"THANKS TO TEACHERS": One of 37 finalists from 410 nominees from 19 counties ( <i>Sponsored by KDKA, Westinghouse, Apple, Giant Eagle, University of Pittsburgh</i> )
1985	"One of 100 Women of Promise" <u>GOODHOUSEKEEPING</u> MAGAZINE; <i>Selected from over 1,000 nominees submitted nationally. (May 1985 issue)</i>

## **EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND**

1974-1976	University of Pittsburgh, M.Ed., Counselor Education
1968-1972	Carnegie Mellon University, BA, Social Relations
1966-1969	University of Pittsburgh, Project Upward Bound Program
1968	Peabody High School, Academic Diploma, high honors ( <i>top 5 % of class of 510</i> )

### **COLLEGE ACTIVITIES (CMU)**

- Member of Phi Tau Gamma - Delta Skull (Honorary for Juniors)
- Participated in YMCA High School Project
- Helped coordinate the Community Affairs Office's African Symposium
- YWCA Advisory Board
- Board Member of Youth Projects, Inc. (off campus)
- Student/Parent Representative on committee; developed the Carnegie Mellon Child Care Center (for student/parents' and employees' children)

## **REFERENCES**

Jack Shea, President  
Allegheny County Labor Council  
401 Wood Street, Suite 501  
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Fred Redmond, Vice President for Human Affairs  
United Steelworkers  
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June 7, 2017

Ms. Sylvia Wilson  
P.O. Box 4812  
Pittsburgh, PA 15206

Dear Ms. Wilson:

This letter is to inform you that at the Regular Meeting of Allegheny County Council held on June 6, 2017 Council approved your reappointment to serve as a member of the Allegheny County Sanitary Authority for a term to expire on December 31, 2021.

We congratulate you on your reappointment and wish you the 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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Edward J. Kress".

Edward J. Kress, Appointment Review Committee Chair  
Allegheny County Council

cc: Arletta Williams, Executive Director, ALCOSAN

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