APPOINTMENT

Approving the reappointment of Valerie J. Ketter to serve as a member of the Drug and Alcohol Planning Council of Allegheny County for a term to expire on December 31, 2017.

SPONSORED BY CHIEF EXECUTIVE FITZGERALD			
In Council	FEB.	17#	, 2015.
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Allegheny County Council



January 29, 2015

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

Dear Council Members:

Please find the attached resume of Valerie J. Ketter, whom I am recommending for reappointment to the Drug and Alcohol Planning Council of Allegheny County.

The Council's purpose is to aid and assist, as the statutory 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 Ms. Ketter serve another three year term, ending on December 31, 2017.

Ms. Ketter is currently as Supervisor with the Allegheny County Juvenile Probation Department, Drug and Alcohol Unit. She oversees 8 Probation Officers who are assigned a total of 300 cases. In her capacity as Supervisor, Ms. Ketter is responsible for the drug and alcohol assessment and treatments, and also implements the Parent group.

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

Sincerely,

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Rich Fitzgerald
Allegheny County Executive

COUNCIL

CC: Valerie Ketter

Valerie J. Ketter, M.Ed. 412.247.6359

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Experience: Supervisor Allegheny County Juvenile Probation March 2004 to Drug and Alcohol Unit, Wilkinsburg, PA 15221 Present Supervise 8 Probation Officers assigned to 300 cases Oversee court recommendations and implementation of court orders Oversee implementation of drug and alcohol assessments/treatment Oversee implementation of Parent group Train and oversee implementation of YLS, case planning and evidencebased practices Maintain documentation in all court systems **Probation Officer** Allegheny County Juvenile Probation August 1999 to Pittsburgh, PA 15219 March 2004 Supervised 30-60 juvenile delinguents Collect information from families and schools Prepare documentation for court Present information to the Judges Refer to court-ordered agencies Mental Health Worker IV UPMC/WPIC/KidSTEP Residential Treatment Facility March 1999 to Oakland, PA 15213 August 1999 Supervised 15 youth during daily activities Liaison between school districts and RTF program Enrolled clients in Pittsburgh Public Schools Participated in IEP meetings Graded school assignments and reported to school districts Developed and facilitated drug and alcohol group Developed behavioral modification program UPIC/WPIC/ Adolescent Acute Partial Hospital Program **Developmental Specialist** November 1998 to Wexford, PA 15090 March 1999 Completed educational assessments for students Liaison between school district and program Participated in IEP meetings Graded school assignments and reported to school districts Developed and facilitated drug and alcohol group Participated in treatment team meetings Supervisor/Therapist Zoar NewDay Treatment Program September 1997 to Pittsburgh, PA 15208 November 1998 Created partial hospital drug and alcohol program for women Developed public relations through presentations to referral sources Managed all phases of individual treatment Completed requirements for intake, psychosocial, treatment planning, progress notes, medial/psychiatric referrals and documentation Supervised all individual and group therapy and activities Abraxas Center for Adolescent Females Counselor September 1992 to Pittsburgh, PA 15208 September 1997 Facilitated individual counseling Coordinated and facilitated group therapy Assisted resident in goal planning and implementation Completed all required documentation

Transported youth to court and provided reviews to Judges

Valerie J. Ketter (continued)

Education:

Slippery Rock University Masters in Special Education Degree, December 2001

Point Park College Bachelor of Arts Degree, Elementary Education, December 1993 Magna cum Laude



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February 18, 2015

Ms. Valerie J. Ketter
Allegheny County Juvenile Probation Department\Drug & Alcohol Unit
Penn West Building
907 West Street
Wilkinsburg, PA 15221

Dear Ms. Ketter:

This is to inform you that at the Regular Meeting of Allegheny County Council held on February 17, 2015 Council approved your reappointment to serve as a member of the Drug and Alcohol Planning Council of Allegheny County, for a term to expire on December 31, 2017.

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

cc: Marc Cherna, Director, Allegheny County Department of Human Services
Donald J. Clark, Deputy Director, Office of Behavioral Health, Bureau of Drug and Alcohol
Services

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