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WHEREAS, on *Veterans Day* we reflect upon the immense burden so many took upon themselves whenever they decided to wear America's uniform and the families who stood alongside them. We salute those men and women for their service, and we express our perpetual gratitude; and

WHEREAS, more than 1.2 million Pennsylvanian's are veterans, comprising 14 percent of the state's population and a great percentage of those veterans reside in Allegheny County; and

WHEREAS, in 1919, the *Federation of War Veterans' Societies, Inc.* was formed. Its purpose was to partner annually with Allegheny County to provide a Veterans Day Parade in Downtown Pittsburgh; and

WHEREAS, this year, the *Federation of War Veterans' Societies* is celebrating its 100th anniversary of organizing and presenting the Veterans Day Parade in Allegheny County; and

WHEREAS, the *Federation of War Veterans' Societies* is dedicated to educating Allegheny County residents to properly recognize and care for our veterans; through the parade, the group raises awareness of all veterans through Allegheny County and the state; and

WHEREAS, our Nation's veterans have set an exemplary standard that will delineate the American character for eternity. It is our duty as citizens to preserve these heroic individual's legacy and we shall never forget those who sacrificed for a safer America;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Allegheny County Council Member Sam DeMarco, on behalf of the citizens of Allegheny County, hereby commends those brave men and women of our Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard who took part in our Nation's cause of peace and freedom around the world. This Council also commends *Federation*

of War Veterans' Societies, Inc. for consistently conducting and organizing the Veterans Day Parade and for raising awareness of our veterans for the last 100 years.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto caused the Seal of the County of Allegheny to be affixed this 9th day of November 2019.