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Proclamation recognizing **Rachel Filippini** for her dedication to GASP and improving the air quality throughout Southwestern Pennsylvania.

WHEREAS, after 20 years dedicated to Group Against Smog and Pollution (GASP), **Rachel Filippini** will depart from GASP to pursue the next chapter in her personal and professional life; and

WHEREAS, GASP was founded in 1969 by volunteers concerned about air quality in southwestern Pennsylvania. Today, the organization continues to work to improve air quality in the region through education, advocacy, policy and legal work; and

WHEREAS, in 2001, **Rachel** joined GASP. She served the organization in various capacities such as, executive assistant, education coordinator, and executive director; and

WHEREAS, **Rachel** has utilized knowledge obtained from her degree in Environmental Science from the University of Pittsburgh to spearhead Allegheny County air quality legislation, increase GASP's educational work in local communities and schools, and continue to keep air pollution issues in the public eye; and

WHEREAS, over the years, **Rachel** has received many accolades. In 2009, she was named one of Pittsburgh's 40 under 40, and in 2011 one of the Women and Girls Foundation's "Women Greening the Pittsburgh Region"; and

WHEREAS, in 2017, **Rachel** was appointed to Allegheny County's Air Pollution Control Advisory Committee; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Allegheny Council Member Anita Prizio, do hereby honor and recognize **Rachel Filippini** for her dedication to GASP and improving the air quality throughout southwestern Pennsylvania.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto caused the Seal of the County of Allegheny to be affixed this 28th day of September 2021.