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Proclamation congratulating the Pittsburgh Diversity and Leadership Conference's 2015 Most Powerful and Influential Women and Leadership Excellence awardees.

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WHEREAS, on Thursday, October 22, 2015, at the Pittsburgh Marriot City Center, the Pennsylvania Diversity Council hosted their 6th Annual Pittsburgh Diversity and Leadership Conference in a continuing effort to recognize and empower multiculturalism and leadership throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, the Pittsburgh Diversity and Leadership Conference was created by Founder and CEO of the National Diversity Council, Dennis Kennedy, to provide an opportunity for professionals to grow in their knowledge of diversity and inclusion best practices; and

WHEREAS, the Pittsburgh Diversity and Leadership Conference recognized individuals who have made an impact in their organizations and communities with the Most Powerful and Influential Women Award and the Leadership Excellence Award; and

WHEREAS, the 2015 Most Powerful and Influential Women Recipients have demonstrated leadership, professional excellence, and an unwavering commitment to the community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Allegheny County Council does hereby congratulate the 2015 Most Powerful and Influential Women Awardees, and we recognize

each honoree for their exceptional achievement and contributions to enhancing the quality of life in Pennsylvania and Allegheny County.

2015 Most Powerful and Influential Women Awardees

Esther L. Barazzone, PhD, President, Chatham University
Nancilee Burzachechi, Vice President of Institutional Advancement & External Relations,
Community College of Allegheny County
Carol Dibattiste, Executive VP, Chief Legal, Privacy, Security and Administrative Officer,
Education Management
Lora Dikun, Senior Vice President, Human Resources, Giant Eagle
Katharine Fredriksen, Senior Vice President, Health, Safety and Environmental Affairs,
CONSOL Energy, Inc.
Dawndra Jones, Vice President, Patient Care Services and Chief Nursing Officer, UPMC
McKeesport Hospital
Allison McGee, Vice President, Client Services, PTS Physicians
Irene McGee, Vice President of Health, Safety, Environment and Quality (HSEQ), Covestro,
LLC
Alicia Powell, Chief Counsel, PNC Financial Services Group, Inc.
Candi Castleberry Singleton, Founder and Chair, Dignity & Respect Campaign

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WHEREAS, the 2015 Leadership Excellence Award Recipients are leaders within their respective organizations and are recognized in the following categories: Corporate, Education, Legal and Medical;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Allegheny County Council does hereby congratulate the 2015 Leadership Excellence Awardees, and we recognize each honoree, whose vision, dedicated effort, and singular commitment to the highest ideals of business have distinguished them and their organizations as among the very best in Pennsylvania and Allegheny County.

2015 Leadership Excellence Awardees

William Bates, Adjunct Professor, Carnegie Mellon University
Dwight Hanshew, Jr., Vice President, Global Research & Development Quality, Mylan N.V.
Davie Huddleston, Senior Manager of Diversity and Inclusion, PNC
Mary Beth Lang, Vice President, HC Pharmacy and SCM Commercial Services, UPMC
Ron Lewis, Director, Global Real Estate and Facilities
Rafeh Masood, Vice President, Customer Innovation Technology, Dick's Sporting Goods
Kevin McDonald, Vice President for Fiber Glass, PPG Industries, Inc.
George Pry, Executive Vice President, Pittsburgh Technical Institute
Yasmin Purohit, Chief Diversity and Inclusion Officer, Robert Morris University
Kurt Small, Senior Vice President, Health Plan Operations, Highmark, Inc.
Elizabeth Woo, Vice President, Corporate Accounts, Thermo Fisher Scientific
Susan Yohe, Chief Diversity and Inclusion Officer, Buchanan Ingersoll & Rooney, PC