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Body...

WHEREAS, American Business Women's Day offers the foundation, private, government and educational stakeholders in Allegheny County, an opportunity to acknowledge the accomplishments, achievements, and contributions working women have made in business, the professions and their communities; and

WHEREAS, working women constitute over 73 million, or 58.6 percent, of the nation's workforce and strive to serve their communities, their states and nation in professional, civic and cultural capacities; and

WHEREAS, women entrepreneurs are the fastest growing segment in the small business community with more than 9.4 million women-owned businesses in the United States, generating nearly \$1.5 trillion in revenues and employing over 7.9 million people nationwide; and

WHEREAS, Allegheny County and the City of Pittsburgh's strong entrepreneurial culture and deep entrepreneurial support system, including incubators, tech centers, small business development centers, women's business centers, the SBA, and local universities, provide a variety of resources to help women-owned businesses grow and thrive;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Allegheny County Council does hereby

declare Thursday, September 22, 2016 to be “American Business Women’s Day” in Allegheny County and urge all citizens of Allegheny County to join in this salute to working women by encouraging and promoting the celebration of achievements of all American business women as they contribute daily to our economic, civic and cultural purposes.