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WHEREAS, "knowledge comes, but wisdom lingers. It may not be difficult to store up in the mind a vast quantity of facts within a comparatively short time, but the ability to form judgments requires the severe discipline of hard work and the tempering heat of experience and maturity." That quote by Calvin Coolidge depicts the true essences of *Betty Copeland's* character and her years devoted to Bridgeville Borough; and

WHEREAS, each year, the Pennsylvania State Mayors' Association, comprised of city, borough and municipal mayors across the state, selects a mayor who has had a significant impact upon the community, is a leader and has had extraordinary accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, the 2021 Pennsylvania Mayor of the Year was awarded to the mayor of Bridgeville Borough, *Betty Copeland*; and

WHEREAS, elected on November 7, 2017, *Ms. Copeland* is the first female and African American to lead Bridgeville Borough. She constantly displays unwavering commitment towards the borough, and with continuous determination she has been able to make an impact on the quality of life for the 4,968 residents; and

WHEREAS, *Ms. Copeland*, through her dedication, helped make a difference in the community through her countless hours volunteering at the Bridgeville library, St. Clair Hospital and the Bridgeville Historical Society; and

WHEREAS, as mayor, *Ms. Copeland* understands the importance of establishing a strong community base and she is committed to attending community functions and advancing her mayoral and administrative duties;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we, Allegheny County Council Members Tom Duerr and President Patrick Catena, do hereby recognize the mayor of Bridgeville Borough, *Betty Copeland* for being awarded the 2021 Pennsylvania Mayor of the Year award, and we thank her for her unwavering dedication towards Bridgeville Borough.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto caused the Seal of the County of Allegheny to be affixed this 24th day of August 2021.