

Legislation Text

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Proclamation naming April 7, 2015 as "National Service Recognition Day" in Allegheny County and encouraging residents to recognize the positive impact of national service in our county.

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*WHEREAS*, the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) shares a priority with counties nationwide to engage citizens, improve lives, and strengthen communities; and is joining with the National Association of Counties (NACo) and county officials across the country for the County Day of Recognition for National Service on April 7, 2015; and

*WHEREAS*, the nation's counties are increasingly turning to national service and volunteerism as a cost -effective strategy to meet county needs; and

*WHEREAS*, national service expands economic opportunity by creating more sustainable, resilient communities and providing education, career skills, and leadership abilities for those who serve; and

*WHEREAS*, AmeriCorps and Senior Corps participants serve in more than 60,000 locations across the country, including more than 200 service locations in Allegheny County, bolstering the civic, neighborhood, and faith-based organizations that are so vital to our county's economic and social well-being; and

*WHEREAS*, more than 2,000 national service participants of all ages and backgrounds serve in Allegheny County, providing vital support to county residents and improving the quality of life in our county; and

*WHEREAS*, national service represents a unique public-private partnership that invests in community solutions and leverages non-federal resources to strengthen community impact and increase the return on taxpayer dollars; and

*WHEREAS*, national service participants demonstrate commitment, dedication, and patriotism by making an intensive commitment to service, a commitment that remains with them in their future endeavors;

*NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED*, that Allegheny County Council does hereby proclaim April 7, 2015 as **National Service Recognition Day** in Allegheny County, and encourage residents to recognize the positive impact of national service in our county; to thank those who serve; and to find ways to give back to their communities.