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Title...

Proclamation naming Tuesday, April 28, 2015 as “Workers Memorial Day” in Allegheny County in remembrance of workers who have been injured or killed on the job.

Body...

WHEREAS, workers in Allegheny County and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania deserve to work in a safe and healthy environment; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Bureau of Labor Statistics has reported that in 2013, more than 4,400 workers suffered fatal workplace injuries and 3 million individuals suffered nonfatal work-related injuries and illnesses; Experts estimate that at least 50,000 deaths occur annually as a result of occupational diseases; and

WHEREAS, in 2013, 178 workers were lost through fatal workplace accidents in Pennsylvania, with the majority occurring in the transportation and warehousing and construction industry sectors; and

WHEREAS, since 1989, April 28th has been recognized nationally and locally as Workers Memorial Day in remembrance of workers who have been injured or killed on the job; and

WHEREAS, County Council wishes to pay tribute to workers who have died or who have been injured or disabled in workplace accidents, to honor the contributions of Allegheny County and Pennsylvania’s workforce and to call for increased workplace safety;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Allegheny County Council does hereby declare April 28, 2015 to be “Workers Memorial Day” in Allegheny County.