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Title...

Proclamation honoring Dr. David Barkovich, Dean of Academic Affairs at North Hills High School, for his outstanding leadership and service with the Allegheny County School Counselors Association.

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WHEREAS, founded in 1961, the Allegheny County School Counselors Association (ACSCA) is the local chapter of the Pennsylvania School Counselors Association (PSCA) and was established to improve guidance and counseling service in our schools, to provide a forum for sharing professional concerns and to promote the professional status and growth of school counselors; and

WHEREAS, *Dr. David Barkovich*, Dean of Academic Affairs at North Hills High School, was elected in June 2014 to serve as the Allegheny County School Counselors Association Vice-President, and in June 2015, as the organization's President; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure with ACSCA, *Dr. David Barkovich* planned and implemented a county-wide professional development program with notable keynote speakers for more than 250 counselors; Dr. Barkovich increased collaboration between school counselors practicing in Allegheny County and local social service organizations; Dr. Barkovich improved the attendance of ACSCA members at statewide conferences and enhanced member communication; Dr. Barkovich updated the name of the organization to "school counselor" rather than "guidance counselor" to represent the broad scope of the profession; Dr. Barkovich advocated for the school counseling profession on local, state, and national levels and established "School Counselors Day" in Allegheny County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Allegheny County Council, in conjunction with the Executive Board of the Allegheny County School Counselors Association, does hereby thank *Dr. David Barkovich* for his outstanding dedication to eliminating barriers impeding students' development; for creating professional development opportunities for countless school counselors; and for his exceptional advocacy for the school counseling profession on the local, state and national levels.