



# Allegheny County Council

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## Legislation Text

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Title...

Proclamation congratulating Pennsylvania Commonwealth Court Senior Judge, The Honorable Rochelle S. Friedman upon the occasion of her retirement.

Body...

**WHEREAS, The Honorable Rochelle S. Friedman** was elected to Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania in 1991 and retained for a second ten-year term on November 6, 2001. In January 2009, Judge Friedman assumed Senior Judge status on Commonwealth Court and after serving 25 years, Judge Friedman will retire from office in November 2016; and

**WHEREAS,** Judge Friedman received her undergraduate and law degrees from the University of Pittsburgh. Prior to her election to Commonwealth Court, she was a sole practitioner whose trial and appellate cases primarily involved criminal, first amendment and family law matters; and

**WHEREAS,** Judge Friedman also served as a judicial law clerk to the Honorable James R. McGregor, as solicitor to the Honorable Robert N. Peirce, Jr., Clerk of Courts of Allegheny County, and as director of two Governors Justice Commission Projects, as well as acting as an adjunct faculty member at the University of Pittsburgh School of Public Health; and

**WHEREAS,** in 2008, Judge Friedman received certification as a mediator from the National Judicial College in Reno, Nevada and served as a mediator for Commonwealth Court; and

**WHEREAS,** Judge Friedman has been admitted to the U.S. Supreme Court, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania and the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania. She is a member of numerous associations and teaches continuing legal education courses for the Pennsylvania Bar Association, Pennsylvania Bar Institute, and various county bar associations;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Allegheny County Council does hereby congratulate **The Honorable Rochelle S. Friedman** upon the momentous occasion of her retirement, and we wish her well in all of her future endeavors.