



# Allegheny County Council

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## Legislation Text

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Title...

Proclamation recognizing the Caileigh Lynn McDowell Foundation and naming Tuesday, April 11, 2017 to be “Caileigh Lynn McDowell Day” in Allegheny County.

Body...

**WHEREAS**, The Caileigh Lynn McDowell Foundation was established in memory of Ms. Caileigh Lynn McDowell, a Woodland Hills High School student who passed away from this life on April 2, 2016 at the age of 17, after tragic complications from undiagnosed Crohn’s disease; and

**WHEREAS**, The Caileigh Lynn McDowell Foundation works to transform political, social and economic systems and institutions to create a kinder, more equitable and just society for all, while also advocating specifically about health issues affecting teenage girls; and

**WHEREAS**, Caileigh had a passion for advocacy and policymaking, and she loved unifying people, encouraging others, standing up for justice, sharing a smile and spreading kindness; and

**WHEREAS**, Caileigh’s tragic, unexpected death has created a community movement to remember and honor her goodness. She fought like a warrior, displaying courage, resilience and strength, enduring 7 surgeries and 42 days in the hospital. She serves as the inspiration for the Live Like a Warrior and Kindness Movements encouraging people to be kind to themselves and others and finding inner strength and conviction to make a difference for the better with love, compassion, and unity, leaving someone with a smile; and

**WHEREAS**, on Tuesday, April 11, 2017, family, friends and supporters will pay tribute to Caileigh on her birthday;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Allegheny County Council does hereby honor the life of Ms. Caileigh Lynn McDowell and urge residents of Allegheny County to observe this day with random acts of kindness.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Allegheny County Council does hereby proclaim Tuesday, April 11, 2017 to be “*Caileigh Lynn McDowell Day*” in Allegheny County.