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Title...

Proclamation declaring Friday, April 28, 2017 to be Workers' Memorial Day in Allegheny County.

Body...

WHEREAS, each April we observe **Workers' Memorial Day** as a day to remember those who have suffered and died on the job; and

WHEREAS, April 28th was chosen because it commemorates the anniversary of when the Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA) went into effect; and

WHEREAS, we remember those who have died in workplace catastrophes, suffered diseases because of exposure to toxic substances or been injured because of dangerous conditions, and we rededicate ourselves to the fight for safe workplaces; and

WHEREAS, workplace injuries affect workers physically, but they can also have lasting financial and emotional effects on workers and their families; and

WHEREAS, every year on April 28th, unions, communities and worksites in nearly one hundred countries recognize workers who have been killed or injured on the job; and

WHEREAS, the theme of this year's Workers' Memorial Day is "Safe. Jobs. Every Worker's Right." and we affirm everyone's right to a safe workplace;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Allegheny County Council does hereby declare Friday, April 28, 2017 to be "**Workers' Memorial Day**" in Allegheny County, and we recognize and honor all workers killed, injured and disabled on the job, thank them for their service and offer sympathy to their families and loved ones.