

Legislation Text

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Proclamation recognizing Kerry Katz for being named to the prestigious All-USA Academic Team.

WHEREAS, Penn Hills native, *Kerry Katz* is one of 20 students nationwide named to the prestigious All-USA Academic Team and will receive a \$5,000 scholarship; and

WHEREAS, the All-USA program is widely recognized as the most prestigious academic honor for students attending associate degree-granting institutions. The program also recognizes students who extend their community college education to better themselves, their schools and their surrounding communities; and

WHEREAS, during the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC) virtual convention in May, *Kerry* will be recognized for her outstanding intellectual achievement, leadership, and community and campus engagement; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the scholarship funds, *Kerry* will be presented with a commemorative medallion; and

WHEREAS, the president of Phi Theta Kappa, Alpha Mu Theta Chapter, *Kerry* has spearheaded several successful projects, including a pre-election Q&A with representatives from the Allegheny County Board of Elections. She and her team of Phi Theta Kappa officers led a fundraising campaign for the Allegheny Campus Cupboard food pantry, resulting in a total of \$3,500 raised to help meet the increased student need due to the pandemic. Outside of school, *Kerry* volunteers as a docent at the National Aviary and at Humane Animal Rescue in Pittsburgh; and

WHEREAS, in May, *Kerry* will graduate with a Mathematics and Sciences University Parallel associate degree and will transfer to a four-year university in the fall to pursue a bachelor's in ecology, conservation biology or wildlife science; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Allegheny County Council Member Nick Futules, do hereby recognize *Kerry Katz* for being named to the prestigious All-USA Academic Team, and we commend her for her outstanding intellectual achievement, leadership, and community and campus engagement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto caused the Seal of the County of Allegheny to be affixed this 23rd day of March 2021.