

WHEREAS, the second annual Pittsburgh Comedy Festival will build off of the success of last year's inaugural event, again turning the spotlight on the talents and passions of local performers; and,

WHEREAS, Jon Daly, a Pittsburgh native and friend of Pitt's famed Friday Night Improvs, recently showed his yinzer pride in the nationally loved "Pawnsylvania" sketch on Comedy Central's Kroll Show; and,

WHEREAS, comedy lovers from the region regularly teach and tour their talents around the country at festivals, theaters, workshops, and beyond, and Pittsburgh comedy is becoming louder, prouder, and more visible thanks to the organic formation of a true, unified comedy community; and,

WHEREAS, the talent in our City is on par with that in comedy capitals such as Chicago or New York, and with every show, more audiences are learning just how brilliant Pittsburgh comedy can be. Our comedy community is fiercely loyal, supportive, creative, and best of all, growing; and,

WHEREAS, the Pittsburgh Comedy Festival will be held on August 27-29, formed by a handful of passionate local stand-ups and improvisers bent on elevating the art of comedy by exposing Pittsburghers to innovative, imaginative acts from the area and beyond.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize the Pittsburgh Comedy Festival as an annual experience designed to bring comedy as an art form to the City of Pittsburgh; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare the week of August 27nd, 2015 to be "Comedy Week" in the City of Pittsburgh.

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Co-sponsored by Council President Bruce Kraus, Councilmembers Deb Gross, Darlene M. Harris, Theresa Kail-Smith, Natalia Rudiak, Corey O'Connor, R. Daniel Lavelle, and Rev. Ricky V. Burgess

Bruce Kraus
President of Council

Attest: Mary Beth Doheny
Clerk of Council

In Council July 28, 2015