

WHEREAS, the Mary Miller Dance Company (MMDC) embodies the essence of a true, modern day art company by sharing and fostering appreciation for dance throughout the City of Pittsburgh; and,

WHEREAS, founded by Mary Miller in 1984, the Mary Miller Dance Company is one of the oldest institutions of its kind; and this year kicks off its thirtieth season; and,

WHEREAS, MMDC's thousands of classes have been attended by those most in need of the joy dance provides; seniors, men, women, and children from organizations such as the Western PA School for the Deaf, the Peebles Elementary School program for deaf and hard of hearing children, all four of the Allegheny County Regional Kane Senior Centers, the Western Pennsylvania School for Blind Children, and PNC's "Growing Up Great" program; and,

WHEREAS, MMDC has staged more than 150 productions celebrating the magic of movement in over 75 historical sites found within the City of Pittsburgh; and,

WHEREAS, MMDC has been a leading voice in depicting the multicultural, multigenerational, and interdisciplinary world in which we live and has worked tirelessly to use dance as an emotional and educational tool to reflect the principals upon which Pittsburgh was founded.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize and commend the efforts of founder Mary Miller and the Mary Miller Dance Company in bringing the joy and magic of movement to those in the City of Pittsburgh; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare September 23, 2014 to be "Mary Miller Dance Company Day," in the City of Pittsburgh.

Sponsored by Councilman Dan Gilman

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, September 23, 2014