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**TORRES NAMED EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CITY OF PITTSBURGH  
COMMISSION ON HUMAN RELATIONS.**

PITTSBURGH, PA -- March 31, 2016 --After a two year search for a new Director, the Commission on Human Relations has taken on new leadership. The Commission has announced Puerto Rico native, Carlos Torres to lead the Commission on Human Relations, the first permanent executive director since 2014, when former Director Charles F. Morrison retired. The selection was made after a lengthy national search and selection process, led by the Commission's Personnel Committee Chair Mariana Padias.

Mr. Torres holds a graduate degree in Public Administration from the University of Arizona and brings over 20 years of experience in supervision, management and training. Among his many accolades, Mr. Torres served in the US Army from 1991-2001 until his honorable discharge. His diverse professional background encompasses work as a National Capacity Building Assistant Specialist, Bilingual Advocate/Educator for LGBT survivors of violence, harassment and discrimination, Case Management for persons living with HIV/AIDS, and manager for several HIV prevention and Harm Reduction programs. Mr. Torres's work history has been focused on serving marginalized and underserved populations.

"It is with great pleasure that we announce the hiring of Carlos Torres as the new Executive Director of the City of Pittsburgh Commission on Human Relations. The Commissioners and I are looking forward to working with Mr. Torres and will give him our full support," stated Commission Chair Winford Craig.

The Pittsburgh Commission on Human Relations (PCHR) investigates complaints of alleged discrimination in employment, housing, and public accommodations within the City of Pittsburgh. PCHR is tasked with investigating civil rights violations and any conditions having an adverse effect on intergroup relations in the city. In addition, PCHR conducts community education and other outreach programs for schools, community groups, businesses, professional organizations and City departments in order to promote equal rights and opportunities for all who work, live or visit our city.

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