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Title: WHEREAS, James Austin Hill, Executive Assistant to Mayor Peduto, started his service to the residents of the City of Pittsburgh on November 2nd, 2015; and,

Sponsors: Bruce A. Kraus, All Members

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WHEREAS, James Austin Hill, Executive Assistant to Mayor Peduto, started his service to the residents of the City of Pittsburgh on November 2nd, 2015; and,

WHEREAS, A proud Schenley Spartan, James possess a rich and unique understanding of both the history and the culture of the City of Pittsburgh, as well as an ingrained imagination for the composition and form his City will take in decades to come; and,

WHEREAS, James has graced this city with not only his sartorial acumen, but his intractable upbeat hospitality, that many City employees have come to appreciate while walking through the doors of the City County Building, and many leaders have come to expect when meeting with the Mayor; and,

WHEREAS, never one for idle hands, Mr. Hill has served the City of Pittsburgh faithfully and dutifully, from expanding the Light up Night Celebration and The Ginger Bread House Competition, to the continual sprucing up of the City Council Chambers, to coordinating the return of the City's Fourth of July celebration, and doing it all with tastefully ironed flags and bunting; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Hill will be dolefully missed by both his colleagues, but his fingerprints will be found for years to come: sometimes in places where only he knew the importance of his touch; and,

WHEREAS, James's colleagues from Council will miss his penchant for leading tours of the building, especially when an unexpected field trip from a Pittsburgh school stops by; and,

WHEREAS, James has expanded the role of the Special Assistant to not just make sure that the Mayor looks professional, but also that the City of Pittsburgh, as an institution, presents itself as polished, professional, and stately.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does recognize, celebrate

and thank James Hill for his commitment to the City of Pittsburgh; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Tuesday, December 14th, 2021 to be “***James Austin Hill Day***” in the City of Pittsburgh.