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Title:	WHEREAS, nestled between the corners of Reed Street, Bentley Drive and Kirkpatrick Street in the Hill District, the Uptown Little League thrived for over forty years, a history which began in 1953 as a league that provided a nurturing and enriching place for boys and girls to participate in a communal and highly competitive atmosphere to learn the sport of baseball; and,		
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WHEREAS, the league's home field was located at Kennard Field until the early 1970's, whereby the legendary Mr. Warren K. Branch would move the league's games from Kennard Field to "The Powerhouse Field" and renamed the field to the Dr. Martin Luther King Field following the assassination of the late Civil Rights Leader; and,

WHEREAS, in the 1970's the league's popularity would grow among the youth in the Hill District and throughout the City of Pittsburgh which resulted in expansion, evident in the inclusion of three expansion teams and a pony league team for the older youth to continue to play and be nurtured at Kennard Field; and,

WHEREAS, the Uptown Little League's emphasis on ethics, respect for the game, your competition and for community produced talent unrivaled in the City of Pittsburgh and the State of Pennsylvania, which resulted in several City and District 5 Championships and a Pennsylvania State Championship; and,

WHEREAS, the examples set-forth by Mr. Warren K. Branch and others has resulted in many boys and girls that have gone on to grow and mature into parents and grandparents that provided a nurturing and enriching environment for their children, grandchildren and great- grandchildren; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Warren K. Branch and others believed that they were not islands unto themselves, but that they had an obligation to be the keepers of their brothers, sisters and Children; and,

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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Pittsburgh salutes the Uptown Little League for its commitment to nurture and enrich the lives of the Hill District and the City of Pittsburgh Youth in honor of their motto,“Love and commitment to the idea that the children are the future”;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare July 16, 2022 to be ***“The Uptown Little League Day”*** in the City of Pittsburgh.

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