



Legislation Details (With Text)

File #:	2024-1349	Version:	1
Type:	Proclamation	Status:	Adopted
File created:	12/13/2024	In control:	City Council
On agenda:	12/17/2024	Final action:	12/17/2024
Enactment date:	12/17/2024	Enactment #:	920
Effective date:	12/17/2024		
Title:	WHEREAS, Thomas “Tom” Putinsky is a Neighborhood Legal Services staff attorney specializing in family law; and,		
Sponsors:	Barbara Warwick, All Members		
Indexes:	PROCLAMATION - MRS. WARWICK		
Code sections:			
Attachments:			

Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result
12/17/2024	1	City Council	Adopted	Pass

WHEREAS, Thomas “Tom” Putinsky is a Neighborhood Legal Services staff attorney specializing in family law; and,

WHEREAS, Tom graduated from Case Western Reserve University in 1982, earning his BA in history and psychology; and,

WHEREAS, Tom earned his Juris Doctorate from University of Pittsburgh in 1985, and,

WHEREAS, Tom will be retiring from Neighborhood Legal Services where he has worked as a Staff Attorney for 39 years, since his graduation from law school; and,

WHEREAS, Tom has dedicated his entire legal career to providing representation to low-income clients and survivors of domestic violence so that their legal rights are preserved and their voices are heard in the justice system; and,

WHEREAS, in the last seven (7) years alone Tom has represented clients in over 14,000 legal cases, including obtaining Protection from Abuse and custody orders for survivors of domestic violence so that they will have safety and stability for themselves and their families; and,

WHEREAS, in addition to his compassionate delivery of legal aid services to domestic violence victims, Tom is a steadfast coworker and provides uplifting humorous camaraderie to his colleagues at NLS and at PFA Court; and,

WHEREAS, Tom has been a calm and steady voice in the emotionally demanding world of family law, and a has been a patient mentor for several generations of law students and attorneys, who admire his legal knowledge and his creative problem solving; and,

WHEREAS, Tom is respected by every judge and hearing officer that he appears before; and judges and court personnel express appreciation and respect for the work he provides for clients in Allegheny County Family Court; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Tom represents the best of legal aid services in his outstanding dedication to deliver civil legal services to low-income individuals.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Tuesday December 17th, to be “**Tom Putinsky Day**” in the City of Pittsburgh.