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Title:	WHEREAS, after 30 years as KDKA-TV's political analyst-23 of which he also served as the station's full-time money and politics editor-Jon Delano retired from the station on December 1, 2024. His final broadcast aired on Monday, November 25; and,		
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WHEREAS, after 30 years as KDKA-TV's political analyst-23 of which he also served as the station's full-time money and politics editor-Jon Delano retired from the station on December 1, 2024. His final broadcast aired on Monday, November 25; and,

WHEREAS, Jon has been a trusted voice in journalism since 1994, when he became the first political analyst for KDKA-TV in its history. He joined KDKA full-time in 2001 as the Money & Politics Editor and this region's only political analyst who covers national and local issues that affect Pittsburgh residents. Beyond the newsroom, he has hosted and produced shows like *Sunday Business Page* and *Inside PA Politics*; and,

WHEREAS, his exclusive interviews with Presidents, Vice Presidents, and other prominent leaders have provided viewers with valuable insights. He was the only local TV journalist invited to join the President's motorcade while covering the visit to the Tree of Life Synagogue in 2018. During the 2024 presidential campaign, Jon was the only local television reporter to secure one-on-one interviews with both presidential candidates. Additionally, he has dedicated 25 years to teaching at Carnegie Mellon University, imparting his expertise to future leaders; and,

WHEREAS, Delano's exceptional journalism has earned him prestigious accolades, including the Edward R. Murrow Award and multiple Golden Quill Awards. He was also honored with the Clarity Award by the Pennsylvania Bar Association for his ability to analyze complex legal issues and present them in a way that is understandable to any audience; and,

WHEREAS, Delano is active in his church and volunteers for several community organizations. He often moderates and facilitates seminars, candidate debates and programs and speaks on governmental and political issues to civic, business and labor groups. He has spent his career informing and educating the people of southwestern Pennsylvania. Living just two blocks from his childhood home with his wife Jane, Jon has shown his dedication to family and community, passing these values on to their two children; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize and commend Jon Delano for his legacy of honesty, insight, and commitment to public service which has made a lasting impact on the residents of the City of Pittsburgh; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Tuesday, March 18, 2025 to be “**Jon Delano Day**” in the City of Pittsburgh.