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Title: NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize and commend the Pittsburgh Aphasia Community Group for its outstanding efforts to raise awareness of aphasia and support individuals and families affected by this condition; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare June 23, 2026, to be "APHASIA AWARENESS DAY" in the City of Pittsburgh.

Sponsors: Erika Strassburger, All Members

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WHEREAS, aphasia is a language disorder that affects more than two million people in the United States and is most commonly caused by stroke, traumatic brain injury, or other neurological conditions, impacting a person's ability to speak, read, write, understand language, and communicate effectively, while not affecting their intelligence; and,

WHEREAS, aphasia can significantly affect an individual's daily life, relationships, employment, independence, and emotional well-being; and,

WHEREAS, Aphasia Awareness Day serves to increase public understanding of aphasia, challenge misconceptions, and promote greater inclusion and support for individuals living with communication disabilities; and,

WHEREAS, the Pittsburgh Aphasia Community Group provides essential support, resources, and opportunities for connection to individuals living with aphasia and their families, helping participants engage in meaningful activities, build relationships, and maintain active roles within their communities; and,

WHEREAS, individuals with aphasia can continue to learn, grow, contribute, and achieve personal goals when provided with appropriate support, including speech-language therapy, community-based programs, and accessible communication practices; and,

WHEREAS, creating a more inclusive community requires patience, understanding, and kindness from all residents, including speaking at a natural pace, listening attentively, and allowing individuals with aphasia the time they need to communicate.

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