WHEREAS, the Community Empowerment Association, Inc. (CEA) is celebrating its 20th anniversary this year; founded in 1994, the organization works to address the needs of children, youth, adults, and families among African-American communities; and

WHEREAS, the CEA has a mission to empower communities and families by providing high quality, well-managed, innovative services including family support services, education, housing, economic development, and employment; and

WHEREAS, through its various programs and initiatives, the CEA has supported the residents of Allegheny County through its eight core program components: personal growth and development, educational support, cultural enrichment, economic/career exploration, health and wellness, community service, recreational activities, and family empowerment; and

WHEREAS, for the past two decades, the organization has played a vital role in the African-American community; many lives have been changed and families empowered through the CEA; and

WHEREAS, Allegheny County is thankful for the CEA and its staff for all they have done for our community; we look forward to many more great things that will be accomplished.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby congratulate the Community Empowerment Association, Inc. of its exciting 20th anniversary!

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the County of Allegheny to be affixed this 7th day of June, 2014.

Rich Fitzgerald

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