WHEREAS, on November 3, 2018 in Hershey, North Allegheny High School became the first school in PIAA history to win both boys and girls cross country state championships in the same year; and

WHEREAS, the North Allegheny boys team claimed its 12th state title with a score of 90, beating second-place La Salle College by 22 points; Zachary Kline finished second, Daniel McGoey took third, and the Tigers also received strong showings from Ethan James (24th), Stephen Nalepa (29th), Andrew Kollitz (32nd), Luke Turkovich (48th), and Connor Foody (83rd); and

WHEREAS, the North Allegheny girls team captured its fourth state title and first since 1999 with a score of 65, besting West Chester Henderson by 41 points; the Lady Tigers placed all of their runners in the top 50 – Hannah Lindgren led the way by finishing fourth, followed by Keeley Misutka (9th), Rachel Hockenberry (12th), Caroline Daggett (17th), Maura Mlecko (23rd), Ally Christy (32nd), and Jenna Mlecko (43rd); and

WHEREAS, North Allegheny’s Class 3A state championships would not have been possible without the exceptional leadership of coach John Neff, who was named the Pennsylvania Track and Field Coaches Association Girls Cross Country Coach of the Year for his hard work and success; and

WHEREAS, we thank the runners, coaches, students, administrators, parents, and all others involved with the program for representing this region so well, making Allegheny County proud, and for bringing the communities surrounding North Allegheny High School together during this incredibly exciting cross-country season.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby congratulate the North Allegheny High School boys and girls cross country teams on winning state championships and on their other tremendous achievements this year.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the County of Allegheny to be affixed this 26th day of December, 2018.

Rich Fitzgerald
COUNTY EXECUTIVE