WHEREAS, the Empowerment Awareness & Training (E.A.T.) Initiative Pittsburgh, non-profit organization that believes access to fresh produce is a basic human right, is hosting, both in-person and virtually, a celebration of World Food Day on Friday, October 16, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the E.A.T. Initiative endeavors to empower communities to source and procure their own food, while raising awareness around health issues and natural remedies from an up-to-date and holistic approach; it also conducts hospitality training in food vulnerable areas; and

WHEREAS, the event is an official partner of the 75th anniversary of World Food Day which is hosted by the United Nations; it will stream on several social media platforms, feature cooking demonstrations, music, interviews and the presentation of the first E.A.T. Initiative Exceptional Service Awards, acknowledging people and organizations that have stepped up to help those in need during this global pandemic, they are champions of our local food system and passionate about ending hunger in our region; and

WHEREAS, World Food Day Pittsburgh will culminate with the kick off of E.A.T. Initiative’s $10 million campaign to solve food insecurity for our region, utilizing regional partners will engage local existing resources to fill the gaps created by recent world events; in Allegheny County, we are committed to advancing financial inclusion for people with disabilities and are grateful to those individuals and organizations which work to provide for those who are food insecure;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, County Executive Rich Fitzgerald, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby proclaim October 16, 2020 as “E.A.T. Initiative and World Food Day” in Allegheny County, and we applaud the organization on its endeavors to help our residents in need have access to healthy food and resources.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the County of Allegheny to be affixed this 16th day of October 2020.

Rich Fitzgerald

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