WHEREAS, the Pittsburgh chapter of Women in Bio (WIB), an organization of professionals committed to promoting careers, leadership and entrepreneurship for women in the life sciences, is hosting its 7th annual Pittsburgh’s Outstanding Women Entrepreneurs Rally virtually on Wednesday, October 21, 2020; and

WHEREAS, WIB is a volunteer-run group of individuals who share the goal of enabling and empowering women to reach the highest levels, ultimately fulfilling their own aspirations; the chapter was launched in 2012 by five local entrepreneurs and academics who realized that the life sciences sector, and the minority demographic of women who work in that sector, lacked an appropriate forum to nurture and encourage one another; and

WHEREAS, the WIB-Pittsburgh mission is to promote entrepreneurship, innovation education and mentorship among women across western Pennsylvania region, eastern Ohio and West Virginia, by providing programming and networking opportunities; it is committed to increasing the impact of local women on the growth of the region by supporting their careers and professional development; and

WHEREAS, this year’s event fits into the Pittsburgh entrepreneurial ecosystem featuring speakers with expertise in medical communication, precision medicine, business planning, patient safety and clinical research; they will share how they arrived at their current role and how they contribute to the health innovation continuum; and
WHEREAS, we’re immensely grateful to have a local WIB chapter which cultivates women leaders in the life sciences right here in Allegheny County; the work of individuals who are dedicated to advancing the diversity of leadership in our region is an integral part of our economy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, County Executive Rich Fitzgerald, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby proclaim October 21, 2020, as “Women in Bio - Pittsburgh’s Outstanding Women Entrepreneurs Rally Day” in Allegheny County.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the County of Allegheny to be affixed this 21st day of October, 2020.

Rich Fitzgerald

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