

COUNTY OF



ALLEGHENY

RICH FITZGERALD
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Stacy Smith is retiring after nearly 37 years at KDKA-TV, marking a career of 50 years in television news; and

WHEREAS, a native of Anderson, Indiana and a graduate of Marian College, Stacy's broadcast career began at a station in Muncie, Indiana; he would then go on to TV stations in Louisville, Kentucky and Indianapolis, Indiana; in July 1983, he joined KDKA-TV as an anchor and reporter, co-anchoring the 11 p.m. newscast for 15 years; and

WHEREAS, known for his unmatched ability to cover breaking news, Stacy has garnered numerous awards including a Mid-Atlantic Emmy Award for KDKA-TV for his coverage of the Crash of Flight 427; he anchored the first Pittsburgh newscast to win an Emmy and has covered countless political conventions and elections; Stacy's journalistic abilities have taken him across the globe; and

WHEREAS, Stacy also participated in various special programming projects such as an hour special on former Pittsburgh Roman Catholic Bishop Donald Wuerl – anchoring and co-producing the special that would go on to win a Golden Quill award; he was also honored by the Associated Press and nominated for an Emmy for a special he produced, wrote and anchored on the 50-year anniversary of the discovery of the polio vaccine here in Pittsburgh; and

WHEREAS, beyond the news, Stacy has been involved in numerous community activities and organizations, having served on the Board of Directors of Harmarville Rehabilitation Center, Three Rivers Council for Independent Living and as Chairman of the Board of Directors of Family House of Pittsburgh where he is now honored with the title of Chairman Emeritus; he has been involved with the Shriners for many years and was named an Honorary Ambassador for the Syria Mosque; he is also a founding member and chairs The Pittsburgh Creche Endowment Committee; and

WHEREAS, we are grateful and commend Stacy for his many years of delivering the news with the highest level of professionalism and distinction; we thank him for his service and wish him health, happiness, and all the best as he begins to enjoy his well-earned retirement with family and friends.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, County Executive Rich Fitzgerald, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby proclaim May 26, 2021, as “Stacy Smith 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 26th day of May, 2021.

Rich Fitzgerald

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