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A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing September 21, 2015, as "Monday of P.O.W.E.R." in  
2 Pittsburgh and commemorating the contributions of Women In  
3 Bio in this Commonwealth.

4 WHEREAS, Monday of P.O.W.E.R. (Pittsburgh Outstanding Women  
5 Entrepreneurs Rally) is being held September 21, 2015, in  
6 recognition and celebration of professional women in western  
7 Pennsylvania, eastern Ohio and West Virginia; and

8 WHEREAS, Women In Bio (WIB) is a national organization of  
9 professionals committed to promoting careers, leadership and  
10 entrepreneurship for women in the life sciences; and

11 WHEREAS, WIB was established in 2002 to help women  
12 entrepreneurs and executives in the Baltimore, Washington, DC  
13 and northern Virginia area build successful bioscience-related  
14 businesses, to provide a forum for women to come together, to  
15 celebrate and support each other's success and, in so doing,  
16 create a dynamic and invaluable forum for the local community;  
17 and

18 WHEREAS, The mission of WIB was expanded several years later  
19 with a vision to grow it into an organization with a national

1 footprint that would impact the careers of women in all sectors  
2 of the life sciences industry; and

3 WHEREAS, WIB now has 11 chapters throughout North America,  
4 led by more than 100 volunteers and a membership base of over  
5 1,000 individuals; and

6 WHEREAS, Thousands of women attend WIB events each year and  
7 continue to grow the organization through their ideas,  
8 activities and donations; and

9 WHEREAS, WIB aims to help women achieve the highest levels of  
10 leadership, influence and decision making that they desire; and

11 WHEREAS, WIB's primary focus is to provide women-to-women  
12 mentorship and leadership support through all stages of career  
13 development; and

14 WHEREAS, In 2012, five Pittsburgh entrepreneurs and academics  
15 launched a local chapter of WIB-Pittsburgh, a nonprofit  
16 organization working to support recognized and emerging women  
17 leaders in the life sciences of western Pennsylvania, eastern  
18 Ohio and West Virginia; and

19 WHEREAS, Founding members of WIB-Pittsburgh include Lyn  
20 Brusco, Babs Carryer, Lidiya Orlichenko, Dottie Clowere and Pat  
21 Rogan; and

22 WHEREAS, WIB-Pittsburgh is working to support recognized and  
23 emerging women leaders in the biosciences industry of western  
24 Pennsylvania, eastern Ohio and West Virginia; and

25 WHEREAS, The organization's mission is to promote knowledge  
26 sharing among women, impact regional economic growth and  
27 stimulate empowerment among women leaders; and

28 WHEREAS, The organization believes that women have the unique  
29 potential for improving companies' strategic positions and  
30 growth by offering intelligence, spirit, leadership and vision

1 to the biotech, pharmaceutical and health care industries;  
2 therefore be it

3 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize September 21, 2015, as  
4 "Monday of P.O.W.E.R." in Pittsburgh and commemorate the  
5 contributions of Women In Bio in this Commonwealth; and be it  
6 further

7 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the important work of the  
8 National and Pittsburgh Chapters of Women In Bio.