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Board Declares January 3, 2022, Mayor Edward Gainey Day in Pittsburgh Public Schools *Board Adopts 2022 General Fund Budget*

PITTSBURGH PA December 22, 2021 – January 3, 2022, is now Mayor Edward Gainey Day in the Pittsburgh Public Schools. The Board approved the day to celebrate the Pittsburgh Public Schools graduate's achievements, most notably serving as a State Representative in the Pennsylvania Legislature and becoming the first African American to be elected mayor of Pittsburgh. These achievements and more by the Peabody High School alumnus and PPS parent have brought honor and distinction to the School District.

To full resolution approved by the Board at this evening's Legislative Meeting is below and available on the District's website at www.pghschools.org/MayorEdGaineyDay.

Board Adopts 2022 General Fund Budget

Following three months of budget workshops, discussion and public input, the Board adopted a [2022 General Fund Budget](#) of \$668.3 million. The adopted General Fund Budget includes a \$2.5 million reserve for prior year encumbrances. Following a year without a tax increase, the Board adopted a millage rate that would raise property taxes by three percent to 10.25 mills this evening. The tax increase coupled with reductions to the budgetary reserve, charter tuition expenditures, and the use of ESSER funding to provide short-term stability, reduced the 2022 operating deficit from the preliminary budget of \$56 million to the adopted \$27 million.



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RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PITTSBURGH DECLARING JANUARY 3 2022 TO BE MAYOR EDWARD GAINNEY DAY.

WHEREAS, Edward Gainey is a graduate of the Pittsburgh Public Schools Peabody High School; and

WHEREAS, Edward Gainey served with distinction as a State Representative in the Pennsylvania legislature; and

WHEREAS, Edward Gainey was elected Mayor of the City of Pittsburgh in November of 2021 becoming the first African American to be elected Mayor in the City; and

WHEREAS, these achievements have brought honor and distinction to the School District;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved, it is hereby resolved as follows:

1. The Board of Public Education hereby declares this January 3, 2022 to be Mayor Edward Gainey Day in the School District of Pittsburgh.
2. The Board directs that the School District’s Department of Communications post this resolution on the website and issue appropriate releases of this significant event.

RESOLVED this 22nd day of December, 2021.

ATTEST:

**BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION OF THE
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PITTSBURGH**

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