

# Pittsburgh City Council



## Proclamation



WHEREAS, the Pittsburgh-based multi-national choral group *Coro Latinoamericana-Pittsburgh* (the Latin American Choir of Pittsburgh), is celebrating its *seventh consecutive season* as one of only 12 Latin American choirs of its kind in the United States; and

WHEREAS, this choir has successfully *sought to preserve the choral music of Latin America*, to maintain Latin American traditions, and to contribute to the enrichment of community life in Pittsburgh by “building bridges among the Americas”; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of *Coro Latinoamericano-Pittsburgh* boasts such *committed professionals* as German Matos, president, *Coro Latinoamericano*, faculty member, University of Pittsburgh and the Humanities Department, Point Park University; Irene Matos, social worker, Department of Health, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; Victor Beltran, architectural illustrator, LDA Architects; Walter Acevedo, representative, art Institute of Pittsburgh; Melissa Alliston, manager, International Sales at Ardex Engineered Cements; Ivonne Beltran of Pittsburgh, Pa. and representative, Point Park University; *Coro Latinoamericano* Musical Director Enrique Bernardo, pianist and graduate student of music, Carnegie Mellon University; and Michele Rothert, president, Esteta Communications, among others of both Latin American and North American heritage; and

WHEREAS, a holiday concert was held on the 18<sup>th</sup> of December 2004, which included musical performances and the presentation of the annual *Corola Awards*, initiated in 2002 by *Coro Latinoamericano*, to honor outstanding individuals who have contributed to the cultural enrichment and well being of the Pittsburgh community; and

WHEREAS, through their performance and travels, the members of *Coro Latinoamericano-Pittsburgh* have served as *goodwill ambassadors for the United States, Pennsylvania, the City of Pittsburgh*, its history, and its people, as demonstrated by participation at the *Canta Pueblo* international choral festival in Quito, Ecuador; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh commends Mr. German Matos and the members of *Coro Latinoamericano-Pittsburgh* for their talents and love of singing, music and camaraderie, and wishes *Coro Latinoamericana-Pittsburgh* continued success in choral performance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the 20<sup>th</sup> day of December 2004, be hereby declared “*Coro Latinoamericano Day*” in the City of Pittsburgh.

Passed in Council December 20, 2004.

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President of Council

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