

CITY OF PITTSBURGH
PENNSYLVANIA



A PROCLAMATION

TMS INTERNATIONAL DAY

THE CITY OF PITTSBURGH CONGRATULATES A LEGACY STEEL COMPANY ON A CENTURY OF OPERATIONS

Thursday, April Second, Two Thousand & Twenty-Six

WHEREAS, founded in 1926 in the historic Monongahela Steel Valley as Tube City Iron & Metal by Lithuanian immigrant David Coslov, the company began as a small scrap processing operation in McKeesport, Pennsylvania, serving steel mills along the banks of the Monongahela River and laying the foundation for what would become a century-long legacy of service to the steel industry; and,

WHEREAS, ***TMS International*** today operates more than 90 customer sites across 17 countries, with a global raw materials procurement network spanning five continents and more than 4,200 teammates worldwide, while maintaining its corporate headquarters in Pittsburgh and strong operating presence in Western Pennsylvania's Monongahela Valley region; and,

WHEREAS, for one hundred years, ***TMS International*** has demonstrated leadership in environmental responsibility and innovation by recycling materials, processing steel by-products for beneficial reuse, maintaining energy-efficient operations, and developing programs designed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and help customers lower their carbon footprint; and,

WHEREAS, ***TMS International*** is the leading provider of on-site industrial and environmental services to steel mills around the world, supporting steelmakers through innovative operational services that reduce environmental impacts, improve efficiency, and contribute to a cleaner and more sustainable future for the global steel industry.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I, ***The Honorable Corey O'Connor, Sixty-Second Mayor of the City of Pittsburgh***, do hereby congratulate ***TMS International*** on their 100-year anniversary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that I do signify this incredible recognition by hereby declaring ***Thursday, April 2, 2026*** to be ***TMS INTERNATIONAL DAY*** in the ***City of Pittsburgh***.

Given under my hand and the ***Great Seal of the City of Pittsburgh*** at the ***City-County Building*** in the ***City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania*** on this ***Second*** day in the month of ***April*** in the year of our ***Lord, Two Thousand & Twenty-Six***.

COREY O'CONNOR
MAYOR OF PITTSBURGH



THE GREAT SEAL OF THE CITY OF PITTSBURGH

*The basis of the **Great Seat of the City of Pittsburgh**, and our black and gold colors, is the family coat of arms of **Sir William Pitt the Elder, Earl of Chatham**, who was Great Britain's secretary of state during the Seven Year's War and later Prime Minister of the United Kingdom.*

Sir William Pitt is the namesake of the City of Pittsburgh.

All papers documenting the original design of the Great Seal were destroyed in the Great Fire of 1845. Therefore, after the Great Fire, a gentleman named Mr. Jones was hired to make a seal based on the recollections of people who had actually seen the seal.

The origin of the three gold coins goes back to Byzantine times. They are actually called bezants and represented real money and it became a symbol of honesty in coats of arms. While making the new seal of Pittsburgh in 1816, the draftsman was confused as to what they were called and thought they were called 'pheasants' instead of bezants. The draftsman thought pheasants were not a majestic enough bird for our Great Seal so he made them eagles. Blue and white were the Pitt family livery colors, the colors they wore on their robes in the House of Lords of the British Parliament.

The checkerboard pattern symbolizes finance and commerce, suggesting a cloth with coins placed on it, creating a checkerboard pattern. A castle symbolizes "city" in the language of heraldry.

*In 1950, the Mayor and Council of Pittsburgh officially adopted William Pitt's family motto for the City of Pittsburgh: **Benigno Numine**, a Latin phrase meaning "By Divine Providence."*