



# CARNEGIE HERO FUND COMMISSION

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### **EVAN S. FRAZIER, ERIC P. ZAHREN ELECTED TO BOARD OF CARNEGIE HERO FUND COMMISSION**

PITTSBURGH, PA, SEPTEMBER 29, 2015—Evan S. Frazier, Senior Vice President of Community Affairs for Highmark Health, and Eric P. Zahren, Special Agent in Charge of the Pittsburgh Field Office of the U.S. Secret Service, both native of Pittsburgh, have been elected to the board of the CARNEGIE HERO FUND COMMISSION. A private operating foundation established in 1904 by Andrew Carnegie, the Pittsburgh-based Commission recognizes civilian heroism throughout the United States and Canada with the award of the Carnegie Medal.

In announcing their election, Commission Chair Mark Laskow said that both new members would serve on the organization's Executive Committee, which is the Hero Fund's awarding body.

At Highmark, Frazier oversees corporate giving, sponsorships, community programs, employee volunteerism, and the Highmark Foundation. Before joining Highmark in 2010, he was president and chief executive officer of the Hill House Association and the Hill House Economic Development Corporation. Previous positions were vice president of PNC Services Financial Group and senior vice president of Manchester Bidwell Corp. Frazier has a bachelor's degree from Cornell University's School of Administration and a master's from Carnegie Mellon University's H. John Heinz III School of Public Policy and Management. He has taught international business and marketing at Point Park College.

An active member of the Pittsburgh community, Frazier is also on the boards of the Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh, the Carnegie Museum of Natural History, Central Catholic High School, the Jefferson Regional Foundation, The Pittsburgh Foundation, The Shyne Foundation, and the University of Pittsburgh's Institute of Politics. He is the author of *Most Likely To Succeed: The Frazier Formula for Success*, which introduces his personal framework to inspire and motivate youth and adults to achieve.

A U.S. Secret Service special agent for more than 24 years, Zahren was named to head the Pittsburgh field office in 2010. In his position, he oversees all of the Service's protective activities and criminal investigations throughout Western Pennsylvania and West Virginia. Past assignments include the Newark, N.J., field office and the Presidential Protective Division, in which he served Presidents William J. Clinton and George W. Bush. Supervisory assignments were as Resident Agent in Charge/Attaché in Berlin and special agent in charge of both the Office of Government and Public Affairs and the International Programs Division.

Zahren, a graduate of Indiana University of Pennsylvania and the University of London, has long been committed to civic and non-profit work and has partnered with the Make-a-Wish Foundation, Boys and Girls Clubs of Western Pennsylvania, and Special Olympics, among others. He is a member of the Pittsburgh advisory committee of the Jefferson Awards Foundation and an advisory board member for the criminal justice program of the Community College of Allegheny County.

The Carnegie Hero Fund Commission, in its 112th year in 2015, has awarded the CARNEGIE MEDAL to 9,797 individuals who risked, or lost, their lives saving or attempting to save the lives of others. In addition, \$37.5 million has been given in grants, scholarship aid, and continuing assistance to the awardees or their survivors. A comprehensive description of the Hero Fund can be found at [www.carnegiehero.org](http://www.carnegiehero.org).