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COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA
STATED MEETING

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Thursday, 12/20/01
10:27 a.m.
Room 400, City Hall
Philadelphia, PA
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PRESENT: COUNCIL PRESIDENT ANNA C. VERNA
COUNCILWOMAN JANNIE L. BLACKWELL
COUNCILWOMAN BLONDELL REYNOLDS BROWN
COUNCILMAN DARRELL L. CLARKE
COUNCILMAN DAVID COHEN
COUNCILMAN FRANK J. DICICCO
COUNCILMAN W. WILSON GOODE, JR.
COUNCILMAN JAMES F. KENNEY
COUNCILWOMAN JOAN L. KRAJEWSKI
COUNCILMAN W. THACHER LONGSTRETH
COUNCILMAN RICHARD T. MARIANO
COUNCILWOMAN DONNA REED MILLER
COUNCILMAN MICHAEL A. NUTTER
COUNCILMAN BRIAN J. O'NEILL
COUNCILMAN ANGEL L. ORTIZ
COUNCILMAN FRANK RIZZO
COUNCILWOMAN MARIAN B. TASCO

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: I note that the
3 hour has come and that a quorum of this Council is
4 present. The Council will come to order, members
5 will take their seats, and visitors will retire to
6 the seats outside the rails.

7 To give our invocation this morning, the
8 Chair welcomes the Reverend Arrington Medley,
9 Assistant Pastor of the Phillipian Baptist Church.
10 He is here today as the guest of Councilman Goode.

11 All members and guests will please rise.

12 (All rise.)

13 REVEREND MEDLEY: I was informed when I
14 came that during this period when I shared my few
15 remarks, you all would be the nicest you would
16 probably be all day long.

17 (Laughter.)

18 REVEREND MEDLEY: So I'm going to pray,
19 have a few brief words, pray once again, and then
20 I'll be out of with our way; is that all right?

21 Let's pray.

22 O, God, we come right now, believing that
23 You are here with us. God, we come right now,
24 believing that you are the reason for the season.
25 God, we come right now, asking to hear from you.

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2 For it's in your son's name we pray.

3 Amen.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Amen.

5 The Chair thanks Reverend --

6 REVEREND MEDLEY: Please be seated. I
7 just want to share this, this is all I want to say,
8 and then I'll be out of the way.

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Please sit.

10 REVEREND MEDLEY: It's never that easy to
11 have a Baptist preacher come and get rid of him that
12 fast, especially at this time of year.

13 (Laughter.)

14 REVEREND MEDLEY: And as I have a brief
15 chance to address fellow Philadelphians, I just take
16 this opportunity to say that I believe we all suffer
17 from a hearing problem, a hearing problem. I'm not
18 going to say what part of City I live in, and you
19 may recognize this person, but there was a
20 95-year-old man who was walking around town, acting
21 very, very strange. He was acting strange because
22 everyone saw him laughing and hugging and squeezing
23 on this very, very young gorgeous woman.

24 This 95-year-old man was hugging and
25 squeezing this young woman until one day, he cut the

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2 corner and ran smack dab into his doctor. His
3 doctor shouted at him and said, "Arthur, what are
4 you?" Arthur screamed back and said, "Doctor, I'm
5 doing I'm doing what you told me to do. He said,
6 "What do you mean?" He said you told me to get a
7 hot mama and to be cheerful.

8 The doctor said, "No, Arthur, I said you
9 have a heart murmur and to be careful."

10 (Laughter.)

11 REVEREND MEDLEY: You have a heart murmur
12 and to be careful.

13 I simply say that to say there are a lot
14 of people who suffer from similar types of hearing
15 problems. I believe this is the time of year we
16 celebrate the impossibility of God; that is, God is
17 always speaking to us through something that seems
18 impossible, and oftentimes, we don't hear God
19 correctly, because if we heard God correctly, we
20 would hear that God not only speaks to us through at
21 the impossibility but says that God will be with us
22 in the impossibility.

23 So this morning, I get out of your way,
24 just inviting you to listen more closely. I get out
25 of your way, lifting up the season as a time to hear

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2 from God. I get out of your way with this brief
3 prayer:

4 O, God, we thank You in advance for being
5 here. We hear you more clearly through the
6 impossibilities, and we thank you for this season,
7 for in His son Jesus's name, we pray,

8 Amen.

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Amen.

10 The Chair thanks Reverend Medley for his
11 very inspiring invocation

12 Council will be at easy.

13 (Council stands at ease.)

14 (Proceedings resume.)

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16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: At this time, I
17 would ask my colleagues to please join me in
18 thanking Councilman Kenney for his thoughtfulness in
19 providing the beautiful poinsettia plants that we
20 all have at our desks.

21 Thank you, Councilman.

22 (Applause.)

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24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The next order
25 of business is the approval of the Journal of the

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2 meeting of Thursday, December 13, 2001, and the
3 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell.

4 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you, Madam
5 President. I move that the Journal of the meeting
6 of Thursday, December 13, 2001 stand approved.

7 (Duly seconded.)

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It has been
9 moved and properly seconded that the Journal of the
10 meeting of Thursday, December 13, 2001 stand
11 approved.

12 All in favor will signify by saying aye.

13 Those opposed??

14 The ayes have it. The motion carries, and
15 the Journal of the meeting of Thursday, December 13,
16 2001 stands approved.

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18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The next order
19 of business is requests for leaves of absence, and
20 the Chair recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell.

21 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you, Madam
22 President. There are no requests for leaves of
23 absence this morning on the part of the Majority.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair thanks
25 the Councilwoman.

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2 The Chair recognizes Councilman O'Neill.

3 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Madam President, on
4 behalf of the Republican, there are no requests for
5 leaves of absence.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

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8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair will
9 dispense with the regular order of business to
10 recognize the guests and visitors joining in us
11 chambers this morning. On behalf of all members of
12 City Council, I welcome you to our session. We
13 appreciate your taking the time to join us as we
14 attend to the legislative affairs of our city. We
15 certainly invite you to come again.

16 At this time, the Chair recognizes
17 Councilman Rizzo, who will make a presentation
18 honoring the City employees Combined Campaign Choir.
19 Will Miss Jacqueline Henry, Choir Director, and
20 those accompanying her please join the Councilman at
21 the podium.

22 (Honoree et al. come forward.)

23 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Councilman Nutter and
24 Mariano will be joining me.

25 Hi, Jacqueline. Good seeing you.

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2 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Good morning, everyone.

3 Honoring the City Employees Combined

4 Campaign Choir:

5 Whereas, the City Employees Combined

6 Campaign Choir was organized in October of 1997 as

7 an innovative and creative method to increase City

8 employees' pledges to meet the City's stated

9 charitable fund-raising goals; and

10 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Whereas, in an effort

11 to enhance and encourage donations, the Combined

12 Campaign Choir engages in cross-city campaigns,

13 embracing such themes as "Claim Your Dream,

14 Philadelphia" and "Embrace Your Dream"; and

15 Whereas, approximately 35 City employees

16 are members of the Combined Campaign Choir,

17 representing several different departments and

18 agencies of the government of the City of

19 Philadelphia; and

20 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Whereas, these

21 dedicated City employees helped the Combined

22 Campaign Choir fulfill its mission to deliver a

23 message through song to promote giving to those less

24 fortune than we;

25 Now, therefore, resolved by the Council of

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2 the City of Philadelphia that we hereby honor the
3 City Employees Combined Campaign Choir.

4 COUNCILMAN RIZZ0: Further resolved that
5 an engrossed copy of this resolution be presented as
6 evidence of the sincere sentiments of this
7 legislative body.

8 Jacqueline, I'd like to present this on
9 behalf of all members of City Council for all of
10 your good work and the members of the choir.

11 (Applause.)

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
13 recognizes Miss Henry for remarks.

14 MS. HENRY: Thank you and good morning.

15 I would just like to briefly give some
16 acknowledgment and facts on behalf of City Council.
17 We'd like to thank first of all Gabe Hardiman (ph.),
18 the renowned recording artist who has been so
19 faithful in dedicating his time for the last few
20 years to the Combined Campaign Choir and to the City
21 and his effort.

22 I'd like to also give thanks to the choir
23 with its base of about 30, 35 members from across
24 the City of Philadelphia, who did not think it was
25 robbery to take time out of their busy schedules

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2 today to come here to be a part of this even.

3 I would also like to thank Councilman
4 Rizzo and staff for inviting us to this event. And
5 I also like to thank Melissa Mandos, who's not here
6 today, who coordinates the Combined Campaign Choir.
7 And I'd just like to thank all of you for being a
8 part of this ceremony as well.

9 And before the choir comes forward to
10 render to you just a few melodies of some of our
11 songs, we also have with us today Susan Higgenbotham
12 from the AIDS Fund, who would like to come forth and
13 just say a few words, and after Susan speaks, the
14 next voice will be that of the Combined Campaign Choir.

15 And I'd like to accept this resolution on
16 behalf of the Combined Campaign Choir.

17 And thank you very much.

18 (Applause.)

19 MS. HIGGENBOTHAM: Thank you, Jackie.

20 I'm thrilled to be here and honored to
21 represent the 13 different charities that benefit
22 from the City Employees Combined Campaign, and these
23 are 13 very worthy causes.

24 The City Campaign is a highlight in our
25 year for these nonprofit organizations. And it's

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2 not an exaggeration when I tell you that local
3 charities needs your support now more than ever.
4 This is just my second visit to Council. My first
5 one was earlier this year when Councilman Ortiz had
6 the wisdom to recognize that there was a need to
7 have hearings again on HIV and AIDS, and we thank
8 him for that.

9 In addition, I want to thank Councilman
10 Rizzo for helping to promote the Combined Campaign
11 and recognizing the choir and providing the
12 leadership necessary to do that.

13 The truth is that City Councilmembers and
14 staffers are in a position every day to improve the
15 lives of our neighbors, friends, and loved ones.
16 And that's really what we have in common with the
17 charities because every day of the year, these 13
18 charities are working to make a difference in the
19 lives of Philadelphians.

20 There are over 700 City employees that
21 volunteer with the Center for Responsible Funding to
22 put on this campaign, and they inspire us every day.
23 And I found out before I came today that City Council
24 has raised more money in this campaign than you ever
25 have before, and you are to be congratulated. Thank

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2 you.

3 (Applause.)

4 MS. HIGGENBOTHAM: And today, I'm reminded
5 of something that Martin Luther King said, and I'll
6 paraphrase. Everyone can be great because everyone
7 can serve. And City Councilmembers and staffers
8 serve the City every day, and we're asking you to
9 just serve in one more way. And if haven't already
10 given to the charity or charities of your choice,
11 please consider doing so. And also, if you could
12 please advocate for the City Campaign with
13 colleagues and coworkers, we'd greatly appreciate
14 it.

15 I wish you all peace and good health in
16 the coming year and thank you so much.

17 And thank you, choir members.

18 (Combined Campaign Choir makes
19 choral presentation.)

20 (Applause.)

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Beautiful,
22 wonderful. Thank you so much.

23 At this time, the Chair recognizes
24 Councilmembers DiCicco, Kenney, Tasco, and Rizzo,
25 who will present a resolution honoring Police

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2 Commissioner John Timoney.

3 Will Commissioner Timoney and those
4 accompanying him please join the Councilmembers at
5 the podium.

6 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: I was just threatened
7 by a Police Commissioner.

8 (Laughter.)

9 (Honoree et al. come forward.)

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Councilman
11 DiCicco?

12 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Thank you. Thank
13 you, Madam President. Good morning.

14 This is a resolution honoring Police
15 Commissioner John Timoney for his leadership and
16 dedication to the City of Philadelphia:

17 Whereas, as a former New York City street
18 cop turned Deputy Commissioner, John Timoney arrived
19 in Philadelphia in a bleak February 1998, bringing
20 dogged experience and unbridled optimism to a city
21 desperately trying to escape from many winters of
22 discontent but still hopeful for change; and

23 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Whereas, the new
24 police commissioner brought a blunt, charismatic,
25 persuasive, reassuring, charming, pugnacious,

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2 principled, articulate, sagacious, intense,
3 reasonable, disciplined, smart, and humorous
4 personality to our police force, our city, and its
5 residents; and

6 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Whereas, Commissioner
7 Timoney's engaging personality, coupled with his
8 innovative management techniques, led to dramatic
9 changes in our city's police department. These
10 remarkable changes included revamping the Police
11 Academy curriculum, instituting longer, more intense
12 driver training programs, encouraging more officers
13 to pursue college degrees, restructuring the
14 department's command structure, developing and
15 implementing a computer and statistical analysis
16 system to isolate high-crime zones, and appointing
17 the first woman to head a City police division; and

18 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Whereas, the
19 Commissioner's efforts led to homicides rates
20 dropping to all-time lows, to crime statistics we
21 could trust, to a police force committed to
22 continuing education, to a cop at every block, and
23 most importantly, to a contagious, confidence that
24 positive change would continue under his unrelenting
25 watch; and

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2 Whereas, he brought out the best in his
3 officers, encouraging them to think outside the box,
4 restoring morale, and encouraging each officer to
5 achieve his or her own potential. He was never
6 afraid to admit he made a mistake, but he was always
7 quick to share the accolades with his officers. By
8 eliminating political influence and demanding
9 accountability of all officers, he raised the bar
10 and made our officers stand taller and prouder; and
11 whereas...

12 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: This native son of
13 Dublin has been embraced by his adopted City of
14 Philadelphia, becoming as much an icon as the
15 Liberty Bell or a cheese steak. Whether chasing
16 down purse-snatchers in Rittenhouse Square, rowing
17 on the Schuylkill, reading James Joyce in an Irish
18 pub, or comforting a wounded officer and his family,
19 he has been visible and accessible to all
20 Philadelphians.

21 Now, therefore...

22 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Resolved by the
23 Council of the City of Philadelphia that we hereby
24 honor and comment Police Commissioner John Timoney.
25 We thank him for fine work and dedication to the

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2 citizens of Philadelphia, and we wish him success
3 and fulfillment now and forever.

4 Be it further resolved that an engrossed
5 copy of this resolution be presented to John Timoney
6 as evidence of the gratitude, admiration, and
7 sincere respect of this legislative body, signed by
8 Council President Anna C. Verna and cosigned by all
9 members of City Council.

10 Thank you, Commissioner.

11 (Standing ovation.)

12 COMMISSIONER TIMONEY: Thank you very
13 much.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
15 recognizes Commissioner Timoney for remarks.

16 COMMISSIONER TIMONEY: Thank you,
17 President Verna.

18 You know, when I first got here, I was
19 worried about dealing with the Council because I
20 knew there were at least two Jesuit-trained
21 Councilmembers -- Nutter and Kenny.

22 Kenney, "sagacious"? Please.

23 (Laughter.)

24 COMMISSIONER TIMONEY: I'm sure there are
25 other ones here, but I know Michael Nutter and Jim

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2 Kenney are both Jesuit-trained.

3 Thank you for this great honor today.

4 It's almost four years ago when I first appeared
5 spontaneously before this body to do -- to be
6 questioned, and in some cases, duel with the
7 members, and it was a lot of fun. And over the last
8 four years, this Council has been very supportive of
9 not just me but the entire department. And for
10 that, I thank you from the bottom of my heart.

11 I also want to point out my wife, Noreen.
12 And my daughter Christine's here. I want to thank
13 them for being here.

14 (Applause.)

15 COMMISSIONER TIMONEY: I also want to
16 thank Mayor Street for reappointing me three years
17 ago and then raising me to the level of cabinet
18 member, and I'll always be indebted to him.

19 And then, finally, there are a lot of
20 folks, men and women back here, that make up the
21 Philadelphia Police Department. And their support,
22 their tiring [sic] efforts on behalf of the citizens
23 has just a tremendous pleasure to me. And just
24 before coming here today, we were at COMPSTAT again
25 this morning, and there's still -- towards the end

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2 of the year, they're still working hard, fighting
3 crime. And I want to thank them. They're a great
4 bunch.

5 This city is in great hands. We've got
6 tremendous leadership throughout the organization.
7 And so, nothing but good is going to happen in the
8 future.

9 And then finally, to my partner and
10 colleague, Sylvester Johnson. Sylvester thanks for
11 all of your support.

12 Thank you very much.

13 (Applause.)

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Council will be
15 at ease.

16 (Council stands at ease.)

17 (Proceedings resume.)

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19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
20 recognizes Councilwoman Krajewski, who will make our
21 next presentation, a resolution honoring Linda
22 Seyda. Will Miss Seyda and those accompanying her
23 please join the Councilwoman at the podium.

24 (Honoree et al. come forward.)

25 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Thank you, Madam

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2 President.

3 A resolution honoring Linda Seyda.

4 Whereas, Linda Seyda is retiring after 34 years of
5 service to the City of Philadelphia; and

6 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Whereas, Miss Seyda
7 spent a good deal of her childhood living in
8 Mt. Airy where she attended the C.W. Henry and
9 Houston Schools. Her father was the pastor at
10 Nativity Lutheran Church located in North
11 Philadelphia; and

12 Whereas, her family relocated to State
13 College, Pennsylvania, where Linda received her
14 bachelor's degree from Penn State University; and

15 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Whereas, Linda was
16 drawn back to the city she loved as a child,
17 returning to Philadelphia and accepting a position
18 as a management trainee with the Free Library back
19 in 1968; and

20 Whereas, Linda gradually rose through the
21 ranks due to her diligence and dedication,
22 culminating with her appointment as Deputy Personnel
23 Director in 1982 and as the first female Director of
24 Personnel in 1994; and

25 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Whereas, in

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2 addition to her tremendous success with the City,
3 Linda also managed to obtain her master's degree in
4 public administration from Temple University in
5 1980; and

6 Whereas, during her tenure with the City
7 Linda served under the administration of six
8 different mayors; and

9 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Whereas, Linda has
10 served this city in a number of other capacities,
11 including as a member of the Board of Pensions and
12 Retirement, the City Representative on the six union
13 health and welfare boards, and as a member of the
14 City's bargaining team; and

15 Whereas, Linda also had the wonderful
16 opportunity to meet a fellow employee, Bob Boris,
17 who would later her become husband. They will
18 celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary in May
19 2002.

20 Now, therefore...

21 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Resolved by the
22 Council of the City of Philadelphia that we hereby
23 honor and commend Linda Seyda for her 34 years of
24 service to the City of Philadelphia and its
25 residents.

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2 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Recovered further
3 that an engrossed copy of this resolution be
4 presented to Linda Seyda, further evidencing the
5 grateful appreciation of this legislative body. We
6 wish her success in all of her future endeavors.

7 (Applause.)

8 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Linda, this is a
9 true and correct copy of the original resolution
10 adopted by the Council of the City of Philadelphia
11 on the 6th day of December, 2001, signed by the
12 President of City Council, Anna C. Verna, and
13 cosponsored by all members of City Council.

14 Congratulations.

15 (Applause.)

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
17 recognizes Miss Seyda for remarks.

18 MS. SEYDA: Thank you, members of City
19 Council and Council President Verna.

20 When I accepted my first position with the
21 City almost 34 years ago, it was not with the
22 commitment of a career with the City. However, the
23 decision to come back to Philadelphia was one of the
24 best of my life.

25 I have learned that the rewards of public

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2 service are much greater than I ever imagined. I've
3 had the privilege of being able to have a positive
4 influence on the quality of our City workforce and,
5 by extension, on the ability of the City to serve
6 the citizens of our community. I've enjoyed this
7 opportunity immensely but feel, with mixed emotions,
8 that it is now time to move on to new endeavors and
9 new challenges.

10 I am pleased to have been a part of the
11 reform of the City's pension disability system,
12 increasing diversity of the City's workforce,
13 ensuring integrity in the selection and promotion
14 processes for municipal employees, achieving
15 significant savings in the City's health care
16 programs, and successfully negotiating contracts
17 with the City unions.

18 Over the years, I've had the privilege of
19 working with many elected and appointed officials,
20 public administrators, union officials, and most
21 importantly, the rank-and-file workforce. While we
22 have not always agreed, we have always been able to
23 put our differences aside to achieve what we
24 believed was in the best interests of the City.

25 I would very much like to acknowledge

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2 everyone personally today, but time does not allow
3 it. I would, however, like to make special mention
4 and appreciation for the dedication and loyalty of
5 the Personnel Department staff for the support they
6 have given me over the years. Without their help,
7 it would not have been possible for me to achieve
8 what I've been able to do.

9 And I would also like to publicly
10 recognize the support of one other person who is
11 here with me today, and that is my husband, Bob
12 Boris. Marrying him was one of the best decisions
13 of my life, too.

14 (Applause.)

15 MS. SEYDA: Thank you again for the
16 opportunity to serve our city and our citizens.
17 Thank you so much for this honor, I truly appreciate
18 it.

19 (Applause.)

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Linda, we're all
21 going to miss you and we wish you well, Dear.

22 Council will be at ease.

23 And, Joe Martz, don't sneak out on us. We
24 just noticed you. We welcome you home. Have a
25 happy holiday. Nice seeing you.

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2 (Council stands at easy.)

3 (Proceedings resume.)

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5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The next order
6 of business is communications.

7 The Chair recognizes that the
8 Sergeant-at-Arms deliver the messages from the Mayor
9 to the clerk. The clerk will please read the
10 messages from the mayor

11 THE CLERK: To the President and Members
12 of the Council of the City of Philadelphia: I am
13 pleased to advise you that on December 19, 2001, I
14 signed all of the bills that were passed by Council
15 at its session on December 6, 2001. And I have also
16 signed Bill No. 010648 that was passed by Council at
17 its session on December 13, 2001.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The messages
19 will be printed in the Journal.

20 The clerk will please read any our other
21 communications in her possession.

22 THE CLERK: That's all I have, Madam
23 President.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The next order
3 of business is the introduction of bills and
4 resolutions, and the Chair recognizes Blackwell for
5 a motion.

6 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you, Madam
7 President. I move that the rules of Council be
8 suspended so as to permit immediate consideration of
9 the resolutions at their time of introduction.

10 (Duly seconded.)

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It has been
12 moved and properly seconded that the rules of
13 Council be suspended so as to permit immediate
14 consideration of resolutions at the time of
15 introduction.

16 All in favor of the motion will signify by
17 saying aye.

18 Those opposed?

19 The ayes have it and the motion carries.

20 The Chair recognizes Councilman Kenney.

21 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you, Madam
22 President. I have no bills or resolutions today.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

24 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
25 Blackwell.

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2 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you, Madam
3 President. This morning, I have four resolutions --
4 two on your behalf, two privileged on my behalf, one
5 of those cosponsored by Councilman DiCicco, and two
6 bills.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

8 The clerk will please read the title of
9 the first bill.

10 THE CLERK: An ordinance amending section
11 2 of an ordinance (Bill No. 990834) approved
12 December 30, 1999 entitled, "An ordinance
13 authorizing the revision of lines and grades on a
14 portion of City Plan No. 246."

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The bill will be
16 referred to the appropriate committee.

17 THE CLERK: And an ordinance amending
18 Title 4 of the Philadelphia Building Construction
19 and Occupancy Code, Subcode B, the Philadelphia
20 Building Code, Chapter 11 to amend Section B-1101 to
21 require newly-constructed single and multi-family
22 dwellings to be constructed according to the
23 provisions, all under certain terms and conditions.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This bill will
25 also be referred to the appropriate committee.

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2 The clerk will please read the title of
3 the first resolution.

4 THE CLERK: A resolution authorizing the
5 Commissioner of Public Property to execute and
6 deliver to the Redevelopment Authority of the City
7 deeds located in the 36th Ward of the City of
8 Philadelphia.

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
10 recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell.

11 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Madam President,
12 I move for the adoption.

13 (Duly seconded.)

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It has been
15 moved and properly seconded that the resolution be
16 adopted.

17 All those in favor will signify by saying
18 aye.

19 Those opposed?

20 The ayes have it and the motion carries.

21 The clerk will please read the title of
22 the second resolution.

23 THE CLERK: And a resolution authorizing
24 the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and
25 deliver to the Redevelopment Authority of the City

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2 deeds located in the 36th Ward of the City of
3 Philadelphia.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
5 recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell.

6 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you, Madam
7 President. I move for the adoption.

8 (Duly seconded.)

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It has been
10 moved and properly seconded that the resolution be
11 adopted.

12 All in favor will say aye.

13 Those opposed?

14 The ayes have it and the resolution has
15 been adopted.

16 The will clerk please read the final
17 resolution.

18 THE CLERK: And a resolution honoring
19 Folasade Olanipekun, City Treasurer.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
21 recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell.

22 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Madam President,
23 I move for the adoption of this resolution.

24 (Duly seconded.)

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: All those in

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2 favor of the adoption of the resolution will signify
3 by saying aye.

4 Those opposed?

5 The ayes have it and the resolution has
6 been adopted.

7 The clerk will please read the title of
8 the next resolution.

9 THE CLERK: A resolution honoring Jane
10 Golden and the City of Philadelphia's Mural Arts
11 Program for its recent receipt of the 2001 Coming Up
12 Taller Award sponsored by the President's Committee
13 of the Arts and Humanities, National Endowment for
14 the Arts and National Endowment for the Humanities
15 for its continued commitment to the youth of the
16 City.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
18 recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell.

19 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you, Madam
20 President. I move for the adoption.

21 (Duly seconded.)

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It has been
23 moved and properly seconded that the resolution be
24 adopted.

25 All those in favor will signify by saying

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2 aye.

3 Those opposed?

4 The ayes have it and the resolution has
5 been adopted.

6 The Chair recognizes Councilman Cohen.

7 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Madam President, I
8 offer two resolutions, one submitted on behalf of
9 yourself and myself, the other with the chief
10 cosponsor Donna Miller, Chairperson of the Education
11 Committee, plus 10 additional sponsors.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

13 The clerk will please read the title of
14 the first resolution.

15 THE CLERK: A resolution authorizing the
16 City Council, under the direction and supervision of
17 the Committee on Law and Government, to hire outside
18 counsel to bring a lawsuit on its behalf against the
19 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the Governor of the
20 Commonwealth, the Secretary of Education, and the
21 members of any boards or commissions.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
23 recognizes Councilman Cohen.

24 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Madam President, I move
25 the adoption of the resolution.

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2 (Duly seconded.)
3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It has been
4 moved and seconded that the resolution be adopted.
5 All those in favor will signify by saying
6 aye.
7 Those opposed?
8 Was there a no?
9 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Yes.
10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Okay, the record
11 will reflect that Councilman Rizzo is voting in the
12 negative.
13 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Madam President, on
14 the School District, I'd like to be recorded as
15 voting no.
16 Thank you.
17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Anyone else?
18 The record will --
19 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Me, Madam President.
20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Are we to have a
21 roll call? Is there anyone else?
22 (Councilman Longstreth
23 indicates intent to vote no.)
24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.
25 The record will reflect that

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2 Councilmembers Longstreth, Mariano, Rizzo, and
3 O'Neill are voting in the negative. All others vote
4 in the affirmative, so the motion passes, and this
5 resolution will be referred to the appropriate
6 committee.

7 The clerk will please read the title of
8 the second resolution.

9 THE CLERK: A resolution authorizing the
10 Committee on Law and Government to investigate the
11 City's lack of participation in the Transit Check
12 Program, which would permit City employees to
13 purchase vouchers for public transportation through
14 pre-tax payroll deduction.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
16 recognizes Councilman Cohen.

17 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Madam President, I move
18 the adoption of the resolution.

19 (Duly seconded.)

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It has been
21 moved and properly seconded the resolution be
22 adopted.

23 All those in favor will signify by saying
24 aye.

25 Those opposed?

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2 The ayes have it and the resolution has
3 been adopted.

4 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
5 Krajewski.

6 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Madam President,
7 I have no bills or resolutions.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

9 The Chair recognizes Councilman Mariano.

10 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Madam President, I'd
11 like to introduce two privileged resolutions.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The clerk will
13 please read the title of the first resolution.

14 THE CLERK: A resolution honoring Merle
15 Reese on 25 years of play by play for the
16 Philadelphia Eagles.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
18 recognizes Councilman Mariano.

19 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: I move the adoption,
20 Madam President.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Do I hear a
22 second?

23 (Duly seconded.)

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It has been
25 moved and seconded that the resolution be adopted.

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2 All those in favor will signify by saying
3 aye.

4 Those opposed?

5 The ayes have it and the motion carries.

6 The clerk will please read the title of
7 the second resolution.

8 THE CLERK: A resolution honoring Louis
9 Applebaum on his retirement from the City of
10 Philadelphia.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
12 recognizes Councilman Mariano.

13 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Move for the
14 adoption, Madam President.

15 (Duly seconded.)

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It has been
17 moved and properly seconded that the resolution be
18 adopted.

19 All those in favor will signify by saying
20 aye.

21 Those opposed?

22 The ayes have it and the resolution has
23 been adopted.

24 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Tasco.

25 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Madam President, I

1 12/20/01 STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS, RESOLUTIONS
2 have no bill or resolutions today.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

4 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Miller.

5 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Madam President, I
6 offer no bills or resolutions today.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair thanks
8 the Councilwoman.

9 The Chair recognizes Councilman Nutter

10 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Thank you, Madam
11 President. I offer two bills and two resolutions;
12 the resolutions, I will be asking for a vote on.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

14 The clerk will please read the title of
15 the bill, please.

16 THE CLERK: An ordinance amending Chapter
17 2600 of the Philadelphia Code, entitled "Standards
18 of Conduct and Ethics," by adding anti-nepotism
19 provisions and prohibiting City officers and
20 employees from taking or recommending certain
21 personnel actions affecting family members, all
22 under certain terms and conditions.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This bill will
24 be referred to the appropriate committee.

25 THE CLERK: And an ordinance amending

1 12/20/01 STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS, RESOLUTIONS
2 Chapter 21-1100 of the Philadelphia Code, entitled
3 "Community Development," by requiring recipient of
4 CDBG to enter into a contract with the City prior to
5 receipt of such funds.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This bill will
7 also be referred to the appropriate committee.

8 The clerk will please read the title of
9 the first resolution.

10 THE CLERK: A resolution authorizing the
11 Council President to appoint a City Council Housing
12 and Economic Development Task Force.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Councilman
14 Nutter?

15 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Thank you, Madam
16 President. I move the adoption of the resolution.

17 (Duly seconded.)

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It has been
19 moved and properly seconded that the resolution be
20 adopted.

21 All those in favor will signify by saying
22 aye.

23 Those opposed?

24 The ayes have it and the resolution has
25 been adopted.

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2 (Applause.)

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The clerk will
4 please read the title of the second resolution.

5 THE CLERK: A resolution authorizing the
6 Council Committee on Fiscal Stability and
7 Intergovernmental Cooperation to hold hearings in
8 order to fully examine and analyze the current and
9 future financial condition of the City and to
10 receive testimony from the Budget and Financial
11 Directors, the City Controller, and the Executive
12 Director of the Pennsylvania Intergovernmental
13 Cooperation Authority.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
15 recognizes Councilman Nutter.

16 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Madam President, I
17 move the adoption of the resolution.

18 (Duly seconded.)

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It has been
20 moved and properly seconded that the resolution be
21 adopted.

22 All those in favor will signify by saying
23 aye.

24 Those opposed?

25 The ayes have it and the resolution has

1 12/20/01 STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS, RESOLUTIONS
2 been adopted.

3 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Brown.

4 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: Thank you,
5 Madam President. I have no bills or resolutions.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

7 The Chair recognizes Councilman Goode.

8 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you, Madam
9 President. I have no bills or resolutions.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
11 recognizes Councilman Ortiz.

12 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Thank you, Madam
13 President. No bills or resolutions today.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

15 The Chair recognizes Councilman DiCicco.

16 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Madam President, I'd
17 like to be recognized.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Yes. I'm sorry,
19 I didn't realize --

20 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you. On behalf
21 of Councilmember DiCicco, I offer one bill and two
22 resolutions.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

24 The clerk will please read the title of
25 the bill.

1 12/20/01 STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS, RESOLUTIONS

2 THE CLERK: An ordinance to amend the
3 Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning
4 designations of certain areas of land located within
5 an area bounded by Christian Street, Christopher
6 Columbus Boulevard, and a line 143 feet north of
7 Fitzwater Street.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This bill will
9 be referred to the appropriate committee.

10 THE CLERK: And a resolution authorizing
11 the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and
12 deliver to the Redevelopment Authority of the City
13 deeds located in the 18th Ward of the City of
14 Philadelphia.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
16 recognizes Councilman Kenney.

17 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: I move the adoption of
18 the resolution.

19 (Duly seconded.)

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It has been
21 moved and properly seconded that the resolution be
22 adopted.

23 All those in favor will signify by saying
24 aye.

25 Those opposed?

1 12/20/01 STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS, RESOLUTIONS

2 The ayes have it and the resolution has
3 been adopted.

4 The clerk will please read the title of
5 the second resolution.

6 THE CLERK: A resolution authorizing the
7 Commissioner of Public Property to execute and
8 deliver to the Redevelopment Authority of the City
9 deeds located in the 31st Ward of the City of
10 Philadelphia.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
12 recognizes Councilman Kenney.

13 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Move the adoption of
14 the resolution.

15 (Duly seconded.)

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It has been
17 moved and properly seconded that the resolution be
18 adopted.

19 All in favor will signify by saying aye.

20 Those opposed?

21 The ayes have it and the resolution has
22 been adopted.

23 The Chair recognizes Councilman O'Neill.

24 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Madam President, I
25 have no bills or resolutions.

1 12/20/01 STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS, RESOLUTIONS
2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.
3 The Chair recognizes Councilman Clarke.
4 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Thank you, Madam
5 President. I have one bill.
6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The clerk will
7 please read the title of the bill.
8 THE CLERK: An ordinance amending Chapter
9 19-1300 of the Philadelphia Code, entitled "Real
10 Estate Taxes," by providing for a credit against
11 certain real estate taxes for owners of condominiums
12 and cooperatives for such owner's cost of waste
13 removal, all under certain terms and conditions.
14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This bill will
15 be referred to the appropriate committee.
16 And the Chair recognizes Councilman
17 Longstreth.
18 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: No bills or
19 resolutions, Madam President.
20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.
21 The Chair recognizes Councilman Rizzo.
22 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: No bills or resolutions
23 today, Madam President.
24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.
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1 12/20/01 STATED - FIRST-READING CALENDAR

2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: We have no
3 reports from committees.

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5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Our next order
6 of business is the consideration of the calendar.
7 And I would ask the clerk to please read the bills
8 on the first-reading calendar

9 THE CLERK: Bill No. 010659, an ordinance
10 amending Chapter 10-700 of the Philadelphia Code
11 concerning refuse and littering by adding a new
12 section entitled "Residential Eligibility for
13 Municipal Collection," all under certain terms and
14 conditions.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
16 agrees. The bill read by the clerk will be placed
17 on the second-reading and final-passage calendar for
18 our next session. That concludes the first-reading
19 calendar.

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21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
22 recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell for the purpose of
23 calling the bills up on the second-reading and
24 final-passage calendar to be considered today.

25 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you, Madam

1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010493-A
2 President. Today, Bill No.'s 010493-A, 010690-A,
3 000505, 010694, 010543, 010633, 010696, 010712,
4 010335, 010341, 010496, 010559, 010603, 010606,
5 010616, 010618, 010619, 010620, 010661, and 010667
6 are being called up for second reading and final
7 passage.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: All other bills
9 are being held.

10 The clerk will please read title of the
11 first bill being called for consideration, Bill No.
12 010493-A.

13 THE CLERK: An ordinance amending Section
14 2101 of Philadelphia Code, entitled "Residence
15 Requirements," by providing that an employee in the
16 civil service need not be a bona fide resident of
17 the City when appointed, but must establish and
18 maintain bona fide residence in the City within six
19 months after employment.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This bill having
21 been read on two different days, the question now
22 is, shall the bill pass finally?

23 The clerk will please call the roll.

24 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Blackwell?

25 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010493-A
2 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke?
3 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.
4 THE CLERK: Councilman Cohen?
5 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.
6 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco?
7 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.
8 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode?
9 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
10 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney?
11 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
12 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Krajewski?
13 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
14 THE CLERK: Councilman Longstreth?
15 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
16 THE CLERK: Councilman Mariano?
17 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
18 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Miller?
19 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
20 THE CLERK: Councilman Nutter?
21 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
22 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill?
23 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
24 THE CLERK: Councilman Ortiz?
25 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.

1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010493-A
2 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Reynolds Brown?
3 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: Aye.
4 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo?
5 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
6 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco?
7 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
8 THE CLERK: Council President Verna?
9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
10 The ayes are 17, the nays 00. A majority
11 of all members of Council having noted in the
12 affirmative, the bill passes.
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1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010690-A
2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The next bill
3 being called the for consideration is Bill No.
4 010690-A.
5 THE CLERK: An ordinance amending Title 9
6 of the Philadelphia Code, entitled "Regulation of
7 Business, Trades and Professions," to require the
8 sponsors of a planned event held on any premises to
9 obtain a permit for such event, all under certain
10 terms and conditions.
11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This bill having
12 been read on two different days, the question now
13 is, shall the bill pass finally?
14 The clerk will please call the roll.
15 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Blackwell?
16 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.
17 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke?
18 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.
19 THE CLERK: Councilman Cohen?
20 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.
21 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco?
22 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.
23 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode?
24 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
25 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney?

1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010690-A
2 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
3 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Krajewski?
4 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
5 THE CLERK: Councilman Longstreth?
6 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
7 THE CLERK: Councilman Mariano?
8 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
9 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Miller?
10 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
11 THE CLERK: Councilman Nutter?
12 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
13 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill?
14 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
15 THE CLERK: Councilman Ortiz?
16 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.
17 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Reynolds Brown?
18 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: Aye.
19 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo?
20 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
21 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco?
22 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
23 THE CLERK: Council President Verna?
24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
25 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A

1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 000505
2 majority of all members of Council having voted in
3 the affirmative, the bill passes
4 The next bill to be called for
5 consideration is Bill No. 000505.
6 THE CLERK: An ordinance amending Title 20
7 of the Philadelphia Code, entitled "Officers and
8 Employees," by adding a new Chapter 2800, entitled
9 "Campaign Finance," providing for the limitations of
10 contributions to municipal election campaigns, all
11 under certain terms and conditions.
12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This bill having
13 been read on two different days, the question now
14 is, shall the bill pass finally?
15 The clerk will please call the roll.
16 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Blackwell?
17 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: No.
18 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke?
19 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: No.
20 THE CLERK: Councilman Cohen?
21 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.
22 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco?
23 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.
24 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode?
25 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Nay.

1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 000505
2 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney?
3 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
4 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Krajewski?
5 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: No.
6 THE CLERK: Councilman Longstreth?
7 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: No.
8 THE CLERK: Councilman Mariano?
9 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: No.
10 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Miller?
11 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: No.
12 THE CLERK: Councilman Nutter?
13 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
14 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill?
15 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: No.
16 THE CLERK: Councilman Ortiz?
17 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.
18 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Reynolds Brown?
19 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: No.
20 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo?
21 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: No.
22 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco?
23 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
24 THE CLERK: Council President Verna?
25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010694

2 The ayes are 7, the nays are 0.

3 UNIDENTIFIED COUNCILMEMBER: 10.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT: Oh, 10, I'm sorry.

5 Sorry, sorry, sorry. The motion fails.

6 The next bill to be called for

7 consideration is Bill No. 010694.

8 THE CLERK: An ordinance authorizing and
9 approving the execution and delivery of a service
10 agreement between the City of Philadelphia and the
11 Redevelopment Authority relating to a comprehensive
12 Neighborhood Transformation Program for
13 revitalization, renewal, redevelopment, and
14 transformation of blighted areas within the City of
15 Philadelphia and other activities to promote the
16 health, safety, and welfare of the residents of the
17 City of Philadelphia, all under certain terms and
18 conditions.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: This bill having
20 been read on two different days, the question now
21 is, shall the bill pass finally?

22 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
23 Blackwell.

24 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you, Madam
25 President. May I be heard on this bill?

1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010694

2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Certainly.

3 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you very
4 much.

5 Madam President and colleagues, as you
6 know, we've had much discussion on this bill,
7 commonly refereed to as "the NTI bill." And I rise
8 today to request that since there is some question
9 with regard that -- that if there be an issue with
10 regard to the cost of bonds and borrowing, that we
11 be willing as a group to come together and discuss
12 it, that we consider that as an issue, the program
13 statement as an issue.

14 And finally, this project review team that
15 we had so much debate about -- at least I did -- in
16 our committee hearing with regard to two words "or
17 disapproval," that we, on these three issues, have
18 the President commit to our willingness to work out
19 these issues and to have further discussion
20 irrespective of this vote today, so that we can as a
21 body, since we all agree with the concept of NTI,
22 work out our differences and hopefully move forward
23 together.

24 I'm sorry. Shall I repeat it?

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: I'm sorry, I

1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010694

2 didn't hear.

3 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Oh, that's all
4 right.

5 This morning, we rise to support the bill
6 but certainly to ask that we as a body commit to,
7 and you as the President, commit that we can have
8 further discussion with the issues, for example,
9 that we debated in the hearing: One certainly about
10 the project review team; the second on the program
11 statement; and the third, certainly on the bond
12 issue and their cost, should it prove to be an issue
13 in the new year.

14 We're requesting that we keep the lines of
15 communication open so that we as a Council can kind
16 of all be comfortable and satisfied that we're
17 moving forward together as a body to accomplish it.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Councilwoman,
19 the lines of communication are always open.

20 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you, thank
21 you, Madam President.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

23 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Brown.

24 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: Thank you,
25 Madam President.

1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010694

2 Let the record show that I vote for this
3 bill with reservation. As an at-large member of
4 this body, I am one who fundamentally respects the
5 protocol and honors and privileges that come with
6 being a District Councilperson. I am not, however,
7 confident that this bill in its current form
8 squarely and sufficiently addresses a District
9 Councilperson's concerns.

10 So I state for the record that both sides
11 have acknowledged and informed me that this is not a
12 perfect bill, it is not the best bill for what we
13 know is overdone in fixing up our city.

14 I have also been assured that there is a
15 willingness to, and I quote, "recall the bill" to
16 get it right. I have every expectation this "avenue
17 of recall" -- and that is in quotes -- in this
18 legislative process will be exercised so as to reap
19 a true compromise that gives District Councilpeople
20 fair and equal standing to approve, disapprove, not
21 approve, whatever the language is.

22 I have every expectation that a
23 compromised bill at the end of the day does not
24 limit a District Councilperson's privileges.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

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2 The Chair recognizes Councilman Clarke.

3 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Thank you, Madam
4 President.

5 Madam President, this morning, as I woke
6 up, I was fully prepared to vote against this
7 particular bill in its current form, but after a
8 conversation that I had with you this morning -- and
9 I thank you for giving me that opportunity to sit
10 down with you and talk about my concerns about the
11 bill, particularly with respects to the disapproval
12 and the review team, and your willingness and I
13 genuinely believe your commitment if in fact there
14 is a need for us to revisit this, and I do genuinely
15 believe that there will be a need, that you have
16 committed to do the right thing to ensure that we
17 are at a comfortable level, that we will end up with
18 a bill that we can all be proud of and ultimately be
19 in a position to help the citizens of the City of
20 Philadelphia to truly transform our communities.

21 As a result of that conversation, I will
22 be voting yes on this particular bill today, and I
23 want to thank you for that opportunity to meet with
24 you this morning.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

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2 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Miller.

3 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Thank you, Madam
4 President.

5 I pretty much support the statements from
6 my colleagues. As you know, we've talked, and I
7 still have some concerns or reservations around the
8 language and the word "disapproval" being left out
9 of the project review team. And I too look forward
10 to the continued discussion and, you know, with the
11 desire of becoming more comfortable and clearer
12 about the role and who will be a member of the
13 project review team.

14 As a District Councilperson, I feel it is
15 my responsibility to make decisions that impact our
16 constituency. And I will be voting aye on this
17 bill.

18 Thank you.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERA: Thank you.

20 The Chair recognizes Councilman Nutter.

21 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Thank you, Madam
22 President.

23 Madam President, I just -- this is really
24 more a point of information, or even clarification.
25 I listened very closely to my colleague Councilwoman

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2 Reynolds Brown and the concerns that she raised, and
3 I fully understand her concerns and appreciate the
4 commitment that she has made, and I understand also
5 the nature of her reservations.

6 The one thing I wanted to make sure that I
7 was clear on -- I did participate in all of the
8 hearings. I've not been in every possible meeting
9 that could have taken place in this building. I do
10 take very seriously, though, the use of the
11 language. And the Councilwoman made a specific
12 reference to a commitment, I think, that the bill
13 would be recalled.

14 In our language, "recall" has a certain
15 meeting, and I just think I want to better
16 understand where that issue is, or had some
17 commitment been made about that specific issue of
18 which I was not aware?

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Councilman, I
20 think it was discussed yesterday, and when the
21 Councilwoman came into my office today, I had a
22 conversation with her. I said I really felt very
23 strongly that I made a commitment to the Mayor that
24 we would in fact give him an NTI bill by December
25 20th.

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2 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Right.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: I think we
4 worked long, hard hours on this.

5 People do have questions, including the
6 Mayor, on this bill. And I said that if in fact,
7 between now and January 29th, Council gets together
8 along with the Mayor, and both the Mayor and City
9 Council reach an amenable agreement, the bill could
10 be recalled. And it's only under those conditions
11 that we both agreed it could be recalled and
12 reintroduced.

13 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: I understand.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: So I think that
15 was the understanding that I think that Councilwoman
16 Brown was told about.

17 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Okay. Thank you for
18 the clarification, Madam President.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Because,
20 apparently, there is some confusion among a couple
21 of the Councilmembers, and if you want to clarify
22 that now, you could do so.

23 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Well, I appreciate the
24 opportunity. I will decline under the
25 circumstances.

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2 I just wanted to make sure that I more
3 clearly understood, because generally, a recall is
4 done at the request of the sponsor of the bill, and
5 i just wanted to make sure that I understood what
6 had actually been said. Obviously, I was not a part
7 of that conversation.

8 Thank you, Madam President.

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: You're welcome.

10 The Chair recognizes Councilman Ortiz.

11 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Madam President, I rise
12 because I just want to make very clear that there
13 are no two tiers of Council folks, one with more
14 power than the other or more authority. I give the
15 District Councilperson every right to be able to
16 decide about several issues that pertain to the
17 District Councilperson.

18 But, however, there are issues and --
19 that's why the Councilpersons-at-large were created
20 within its charter that pertain to the citizens of
21 Philadelphia overall, that may be placed in one
22 district -- the Convention Center, the Simon Center
23 down at Penn's Landing, the stadium, other issues
24 that impact all of the citizens of Philadelphia.
25 And those issues are issues that everybody has a

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2 right. Councilpeople do not have a -- the at-large
3 folks in terms of dealing with several of the local
4 issues in terms of District Council folks.

5 But let us be clear that we are elected,
6 17 people are elected in this Council by the
7 citizens of Philadelphia, and each and every one of
8 us has the right in this body to be able to talk, to
9 discuss, and to vote on every issue that comes
10 before us. And no one has, by the Charter, any
11 rights greater than anyone else.

12 So I just want to say that, I want to make
13 it very clear.

14 And I also want to make very clear that
15 the bill that we are passing today is a much better
16 bill in terms of this City Council and in terms of
17 oversight and in terms of being able to act as a
18 check and a balance between the executive and the
19 legislative than the one that was sent down by the
20 Administration. Because in that bill, no
21 Councilperson -- at-large or district -- really had
22 any say in terms of how the money was going to be
23 spent and what the priorities were going to be.

24 There might have been private
25 arrangements, there might have been private

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2 arrangements, but in the body of the law, there was
3 no role for this City Council to act up and review
4 and act as a balance and a check on anything that
5 went down.

6 So the bill that is being passed is a
7 better bill because it sets up a review system and
8 it sets up a system of checks and balances and gives
9 us as a body an authority to be able to see if the
10 money that we are going to appropriate is being
11 spent in a manner that benefits all of the citizens
12 of Philadelphia and not just people from one
13 district.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you
15 The Chair recognizes Councilman Mariano.

16 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Thank you, Madam
17 President.

18 First of all, I'd like to thank
19 Councilwoman Blondell Reynolds Brown for at least
20 being concerned about District Councilpeople.
21 That's a very positive step in this direction. I
22 think we're all trying to get to the same end, just
23 through different means.

24 Not having had the privilege to have been
25 able to be involved in a couple of these meetings

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2 here, I just needed this -- it's probably a
3 technical question, and it was brought on by what
4 Councilman Nutter said. If this was passed today
5 does that -- it sets everything in motion.

6 Now, if we recall the bill or if we all
7 get together and happily recall this bill, does the
8 clock still go? I mean, does NTI start working and
9 we can fix it later? if you catch what I'm saying.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Mayor would
11 have up until, what, the 29th, Charlie, to sign the
12 bill?

13 MR. MCPHERSON: (Nods head.)

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Mayor would
15 have up until the 29th to sign the bill

16 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: I heard that. Would
17 that --

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: With that being
19 said, since there seems to be some concern by some
20 of the members of Council, we would be willing to
21 meet with the Administration, and if we can all come
22 to an amenable decision, then the bill would be
23 recalled. And if it doesn't, the Mayor could either
24 sign or veto the bill or not sign it and let it
25 become law.

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2 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Okay, so the wheels
3 start in motion after it becomes law.

4 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Right.

5 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Thank you. That
6 clarifies my question.

7 Thank you, Councilman Nutter.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It's something
9 like our redistricting bill. That would be the same
10 process.

11 (Laughter.)

12 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: I'm still confused on
13 that one, though, Council President.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Oh, okay.

15 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
16 Blackwell.

17 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you, Madam
18 President.

19 Being that I was distracted, I wanted to
20 respond to the issue of -- you know, this whole
21 project review team, I believe, is a Council issue,
22 not a Council-versus-Administration issue. And
23 certainly, I am sure that I speak for every District
24 Council when I say, you know, we're one body. The
25 District Councilperson does not in any way feel

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2 offended or in competition with our at-large
3 colleagues.

4 Much like we have the Vacant Property
5 Review Committee that defers to the District
6 Councilperson, this bill, with reference to the
7 District Councilperson having a say in properties,
8 is kind of in concept an extension of the same.

9 So, you know, the issue for the right to
10 determine what happens in one's district is not
11 meant in any way as any disrespect or in any way to
12 undermine an at-large colleague. It's just a way of
13 trying to deal with projects, potential projects in
14 one's area.

15 Thank you, Madam President.

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: You're welcome.

17 The Chair recognizes Councilman Clarke.

18 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Thank you, Madam
19 Chair. I'll be brief 'cause I know we have other
20 business to take care of.

21 I just wanted to respond to the issue of
22 District Councilperson versus at-large, and I'll be
23 very brief. While I agree that there are 16 equal
24 members of Council, and then there's the Council
25 President, who, as Councilman Cohen refers to as

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2 "the super councilperson," at the end of the day, if
3 something goes wrong with Schuylkill Falls, they're
4 going to look at Michael Nutter, right? Or if
5 something goes wrong with Jefferson Square, they're
6 going to look at Frankie DiCicco. Or if something
7 goes wrong at Richard Allen, they're going to look
8 at Councilman Darrell Clarke, all right?

9 A District Councilperson will ultimately
10 be held responsible for the development in their
11 district.

12 As it relates to the bill that I
13 introduced, the alternative NTI bill, there were
14 simple attachments that spoke of the Council's role.
15 While it may not have been enough for some members,
16 and I actually think that there could have been some
17 changes to it, which we had attempted to do in the
18 hearing, there were a number of instances in that
19 legislation that it showed where Council action was
20 required to access NTI financing and to do
21 development.

22 So I want to clarify that, that there were
23 in fact controls in place in that particular bill,
24 as there currently is in the development process.

25 So I just want to thank you.

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

3 The Chair recognizes Councilman Nutter

4 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Oh, no, Madam

5 President, I have nothing else to say.

6 (Laughter.)

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Okay.

8 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Miller.

9 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Thank you, Madam
10 President.

11 I just want to be clear and just get some
12 information. When you stated earlier that we will
13 meet with the Mayor, do you mean all of Council?

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: We will have our
15 technical staff meet with the Mayor, if that is his
16 desire. Once they have met and there have been some
17 concerns or agreements made supposedly, then we will
18 get Councilmembers together with our technical staff
19 and review them. You could then have your input,
20 you could let us know beforehand exactly what it is
21 that you would like us to discuss.

22 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Council President
23 Verna, during the hearing in Finance Committee on
24 NTI, I asked then that all of Council be given an
25 opportunity to meet with our technical staff, the

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2 Mayor's technical people and the Mayor so that we
3 could all begin to become a little bit "unconfused,"
4 a little bit more clear on what some of the issues
5 are here in this bill.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Well, this was a
7 very, very hectic week, Councilwoman. I think there
8 were many issues that I know that I was dealing with
9 and many other Councilmembers were dealing with, and
10 I'm sure that the Mayor had a much more important
11 agenda than this.

12 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Well, this is really
13 important to the citizens of Philadelphia and I
14 wanted to --

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It's important
16 to all of us.

17 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: I didn't mean that
18 the meeting would have to take place this week, but
19 I would hope that we could use the time between now
20 and January 29th to have that meeting. I think it's
21 an important meeting to have so that we could all
22 end up, hopefully, on the same page.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you,
24 Councilwoman.

25 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: You're welcome.

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
3 recognizes Councilman Cohen.

4 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Thank you, Madam
5 President.

6 I want to make it clear. I vote for this
7 bill because I think it's an excellent bill. Many
8 of the provisions in the bill came from someone I
9 worked with very closely for many years, and that's
10 the current mayor, who was always, when he was in
11 City Council and was President of City Council,
12 during both periods of his service, he always was
13 insistent upon Council being able to meet its
14 obligation on fiscal matters. He felt it was wrong
15 for Council to go along with any mayor on financial
16 matters. Council had to have the opportunity to
17 make an independent study and come to an independent
18 conclusion because he felt the main responsibility
19 of Council lay in the budgetary field. And that is
20 something that I agreed with him at that time and I
21 agree with him now.

22 I know of no items in this bill in its
23 present form which dispute in any way the specifics
24 that President Street and Mayor Street worked out on
25 the Convention Center and on the Criminal Justice

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2 Center, where he wanted to make that Council was
3 held to a responsibility on fiscal matters.

4 As always, whenever we pass the bill, if
5 between the time of passage of the bill and the
6 signing by the Mayor or the bill otherwise becoming
7 law or being vetoed, there's always time to discuss
8 things. And if anybody has good improvements for
9 the bill, I guess we'll be willing to listen to it
10 in the NTI area as well as in all other areas.

11 But with respect to the bill, this is an
12 excellent bill. It protects the taxpayers, it
13 enables us in City Council to meet our obligations.
14 And it does that in a way which makes it possible
15 for Councilmembers-at-large to really fulfill their
16 obligation.

17 When -- after serving one term in the
18 District -- as a District Councilman, I decided to
19 come back to City Council, or at least make an
20 effort to do so, in 1979. I did not think I was
21 running for a less important position to run for
22 Councilman at-large. Actually, though, I've kept it
23 a secret from all but my wife. I really thought I
24 was getting promoted, because I thought now I would
25 have a total legitimate interest in everything going

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2 on in the City, and that is the responsibility of a
3 Councilman-at-large.

4 During campaign time and other times at
5 committee meetings, I make it a point to say one of
6 the great things about Philadelphia is that every
7 citizen has eight Councilmembers they can go to:
8 First and foremost is always the local Councilperson
9 who is closer to them, who was directly elected only
10 by that district; but in addition to that, there are
11 seven other Councilmembers that every citizen in the
12 City of Philadelphia has a right to vote for and to
13 (indiscernible) on and to pick five of those for
14 Council at-large. And when you have a right to vote
15 for somebody, you have a right to call upon them for
16 services.

17 And so the role of the Council-at-large is
18 a very important role. It's to look at the City as
19 a whole, in addition to giving support to the
20 District Councilmembers.

21 And I think what Councilman Ortiz said was
22 absolutely right: Every Councilman votes on every
23 bill, nothing can become law without the opportunity
24 of each Councilman voting on every issue, and each
25 Councilman is equally involved -- the

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2 Councilmembers-at-large from the point of view of
3 fairness and equity citywide and the District
4 Councilmember from the point of view representing
5 that particular group of citizens that elect them.

6 But I just wanted to make very clear that
7 I don't think this is a weak bill; I think it's an
8 excellent bill. I think it would move the City
9 forward, I think it would represent a tremendous
10 step forward in everybody's desire to fight blight,
11 and I would hope that the Mayor would see to it that
12 this bill is a bill that he can support fully,
13 recognize City Council as a partner, and we can move
14 ahead in all of our activities, including the
15 redistricting blight, health matters, and all of the
16 other important matters -- the public schools --
17 that are deeply our concern this weekend.

18 Thank you, Madam President.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you,
20 Councilman.

21 The Chair recognizes Councilman Clarke.

22 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Thank you, Madam
23 President.

24 Madam President, as we move ahead in the
25 development process, I will be extending an

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2 invitation to some of our at-large members the next
3 time I have a controversial community meeting. So
4 they can stand there with me.
5 (Laughter.)
6 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: No problem? All
7 right, okay.
8 Somebody said sinking homes? Sinking
9 homes? All right.
10 Madam President, first, I just wanted to
11 say, with respects to Councilwoman Miller's
12 question, could we meet prior to the -- meet with
13 the technical staff prior to the meeting with the
14 Mayor's staff so we can give them some concerns we
15 have and then that could be as a part of the
16 discussion, and then afterwards also?
17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: By all means.
18 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Thank you.
19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
20 recognizes Councilman Rizzo.
21 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Madam President, I'm
22 not trying to pick a fight, but I'd like to point
23 out that I've been at meetings when I was the only
24 Councilperson and there were no District
25 Councilpersons.

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2 Thank you.
3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.
4 Are there any other comments?
5 (No further comments.)
6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The clerk will
7 please call the roll.
8 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Blackwell?
9 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.
10 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke?
11 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.
12 THE CLERK: Councilman Cohen?
13 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.
14 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco?
15 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.
16 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode?
17 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
18 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney?
19 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
20 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Krajewski?
21 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
22 THE CLERK: Councilman Longstreth?
23 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
24 THE CLERK: Councilman Mariano?
25 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

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2 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Miller?
3 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
4 THE CLERK: Councilman Nutter?
5 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
6 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill?
7 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
8 THE CLERK: Councilman Ortiz?
9 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.
10 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Reynolds Brown?
11 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: Aye.
12 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo?
13 COUNCILMAN RIZZ0: Aye.
14 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco?
15 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
16 THE CLERK: Council President Verna?
17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
18 The ayes are 17, the votes of 0. A
19 majority of all Councilmembers having voted in the
20 affirmative, the bill passes.
21 (Applause.)
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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The next bill to
3 be called for consideration is Bill No. 010543.

4 THE CLERK: An ordinance amending Chapter
5 16-400 of the Philadelphia Code, entitled "Vacant
6 and Surplus Properties," by adding a subsection on
7 the Philadelphia Association of Community
8 Development Corporations.

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This bill having
10 been read on two different days, the question now
11 is, shall the bill pass finally?

12 The clerk will please call the roll.

13 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Blackwell?

14 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

15 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke?

16 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

17 THE CLERK: Councilman Cohen?

18 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

19 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco?

20 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

21 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode?

22 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

23 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney?

24 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

25 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Krajewski?

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2 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

3 THE CLERK: Councilman Longstreth?

4 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.

5 THE CLERK: Councilman Mariano?

6 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

7 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Miller?

8 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.

9 THE CLERK: Councilman Nutter?

10 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.

11 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill?

12 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.

13 THE CLERK: Councilman Ortiz?

14 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.

15 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Reynolds Brown?

16 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: Aye.

17 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo?

18 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

19 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco?

20 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

21 THE CLERK: Council President Verna?

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

23 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A

24 majority of all members of Council having voted in

25 the affirmative, the bill passes.

1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010633

2 The next bill to be called for
3 consideration is Bill No. 010633.

4 THE CLERK: An ordinance authorizing the
5 Commissioner of Public Property, on behalf of the
6 City of Philadelphia, to accept a quitclaim deed
7 from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, known as the
8 "Pennsylvania Hall Parcel."

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This bill having
10 been read on two different days, the question now
11 is, shall the bill pass finally?

12 The clerk will please call the roll.

13 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Blackwell?

14 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

15 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke?

16 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

17 THE CLERK: Councilman Cohen?

18 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

19 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco?

20 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

21 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode?

22 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

23 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney?

24 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

25 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Krajewski?

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2 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

3 THE CLERK: Councilman Longstreth?

4 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.

5 THE CLERK: Councilman Mariano?

6 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

7 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Miller?

8 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.

9 THE CLERK: Councilman Nutter?

10 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.

11 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill?

12 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.

13 THE CLERK: Councilman Ortiz?

14 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.

15 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Reynolds Brown?

16 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: Aye.

17 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo?

18 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

19 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco?

20 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

21 THE CLERK: Council President Verna?

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

23 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A

24 majority of all members of Council having voted in

25 the affirmative, this bill passes.

1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010696

2 The next bill for consideration is Bill
3 No. 010696.

4 THE CLERK: An ordinance authorizing the
5 Commissioner of Public Property and the Director of
6 Commerce, on behalf of the City of Philadelphia, to
7 accept from the School District of Philadelphia any
8 or all portions of certain real estate in the
9 vicinity of Red Line Road and Roosevelt Boulevard,
10 all under certain terms and conditions.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This bill having
12 been read on two different days, the question now
13 is, shall the bill pass finally?

14 The clerk will please call the roll.

15 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Blackwell?

16 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

17 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke?

18 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

19 THE CLERK: Councilman Cohen?

20 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

21 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco?

22 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

23 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode?

24 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

25 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney?

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2 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
3 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Krajewski?
4 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
5 THE CLERK: Councilman Longstreth?
6 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
7 THE CLERK: Councilman Mariano?
8 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
9 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Miller?
10 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
11 THE CLERK: Councilman Nutter?
12 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
13 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill?
14 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
15 THE CLERK: Councilman Ortiz?
16 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.
17 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Reynolds Brown?
18 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: Aye.
19 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo?
20 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
21 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco?
22 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
23 THE CLERK: Council President Verna?
24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
25 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A

1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010712
2 majority of all members of Council having voted in
3 the affirmative, the bill passes.

4 The next bill to be called for
5 consideration is Bill No. 010712.

6 THE CLERK: An ordinance authorizing the
7 Philadelphia Authority for Industrial Development to
8 purchase a certain track of land situated at 2114-60
9 North American Street for a consideration not to
10 exceed \$350,000, all under certain terms and
11 conditions.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This bill having
13 been read on two different days, the question now
14 is, shall the bill passed finally?

15 The clerk will please call the roll.

16 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Blackwell?

17 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

18 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke?

19 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

20 THE CLERK: Councilman Cohen?

21 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

22 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco?

23 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

24 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode?

25 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010712

2 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney?

3 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

4 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Krajewski?

5 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

6 THE CLERK: Councilman Longstreth?

7 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.

8 THE CLERK: Councilman Mariano?

9 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

10 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Miller?

11 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.

12 THE CLERK: Councilman Nutter?

13 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.

14 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill?

15 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.

16 THE CLERK: Councilman Ortiz?

17 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.

18 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Reynolds Brown?

19 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: Aye.

20 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo?

21 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

22 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco?

23 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

24 THE CLERK: Council President Verna?

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010335

2 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A
3 majority of all members of Council having voted in
4 the affirmative, this bill passes.

5 The next bill to be called for
6 consideration is Bill No. 010335.

7 THE CLERK: An ordinance revising parking
8 regulations on Pine Street, south side, from 42nd
9 Street to 43rd Street.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This bill having
11 been read on two different days, the question now
12 is, shall the bill pass finally?

13 The clerk will please call the roll.

14 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Blackwell?

15 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

16 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke?

17 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

18 THE CLERK: Councilman Cohen?

19 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

20 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco?

21 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

22 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode?

23 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

24 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney?

25 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010335
2 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Krajewski?
3 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
4 THE CLERK: Councilman Longstreth?
5 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
6 THE CLERK: Councilman Mariano?
7 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
8 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Miller?
9 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
10 THE CLERK: Councilman Nutter?
11 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
12 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill?
13 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
14 THE CLERK: Councilman Ortiz?
15 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.
16 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Reynolds Brown?
17 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: Aye.
18 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo?
19 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
20 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco?
21 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
22 THE CLERK: Council President Verna?
23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
24 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A
25 majority of all members of Council having voted in

1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010341
2 the affirmative, the bill passes.
3 The next bill to be called for
4 consideration is Bill No. 010341.
5 THE CLERK: An ordinance establishing a
6 regulation on the 7100 block of North Uber Street.
7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This bill having
8 been read on two different days, the question now
9 is, shall the bill pass finally?
10 The clerk will please call the roll.
11 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Blackwell?
12 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.
13 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke?
14 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.
15 THE CLERK: Councilman Cohen?
16 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.
17 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco?
18 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.
19 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode?
20 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
21 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney?
22 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
23 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Krajewski?
24 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
25 THE CLERK: Councilman Longstreth?

1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010341
2 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
3 THE CLERK: Councilman Mariano?
4 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
5 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Miller?
6 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
7 THE CLERK: Councilman Nutter?
8 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
9 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill?
10 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
11 THE CLERK: Councilman Ortiz?
12 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.
13 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Reynolds Brown?
14 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: Aye.
15 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo?
16 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
17 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco?
18 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
19 THE CLERK: Council President Verna?
20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
21 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A
22 majority of all members of Council having voted in
23 the affirmative, the bill passes.
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1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010496

2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The next bill to
3 be called for consideration is Bill No. 010496.

4 THE CLERK: An ordinance authorizing
5 Richard Ley to construct, own, and maintain a
6 private pole, electrical appurtenances on the 3800
7 block of Powelton Avenue, all under certain terms
8 and conditions.

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This bill having
10 been read on two different days, the question now
11 is, shall the bill pass finally?

12 The clerk will please call the roll.

13 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Blackwell?

14 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

15 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke?

16 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

17 THE CLERK: Councilman Cohen?

18 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

19 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco?

20 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

21 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode?

22 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

23 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney?

24 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

25 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Krajewski?

1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010496

2 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

3 THE CLERK: Councilman Longstreth?

4 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.

5 THE CLERK: Councilman Mariano?

6 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

7 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Miller?

8 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.

9 THE CLERK: Councilman Nutter?

10 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.

11 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill?

12 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.

13 THE CLERK: Councilman Ortiz?

14 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.

15 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Reynolds Brown?

16 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: Aye.

17 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo?

18 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

19 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco?

20 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

21 THE CLERK: Council President Verna?

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

23 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A

24 majority of all members of Council having voted in

25 the affirmative, the bill passes.

1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010559

2 The next bill to be called for
3 consideration is Bill No. 010559.

4 THE CLERK: An ordinance authorizing the
5 revision of lines and grades on a portion of City
6 Plan No. 58 by placing on the City Plan Marvine
7 Street from Brown Street to Parrish Street.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This bill having
9 been read on two different days, the question now
10 is, shall the bill pass finally?

11 The clerk will please call the roll.

12 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0.

13 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Blackwell?

14 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

15 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke?

16 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

17 THE CLERK: Councilman Cohen?

18 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

19 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco?

20 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

21 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode?

22 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

23 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney?

24 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

25 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Krajewski?

1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010559

2 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

3 THE CLERK: Councilman Longstreth?

4 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.

5 THE CLERK: Councilman Mariano?

6 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

7 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Miller?

8 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.

9 THE CLERK: Councilman Nutter?

10 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.

11 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill?

12 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.

13 THE CLERK: Councilman Ortiz?

14 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.

15 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Reynolds Brown?

16 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: Aye.

17 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo?

18 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

19 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco?

20 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

21 THE CLERK: Council President Verna?

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

23 A majority of all members of Council

24 having voted in the affirmative, the bill passes.

25 The next bill to be called for

1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010603
2 consideration is Bill No. 010603.

3 THE CLERK: An ordinance granting
4 permission to Nick Mangini, d/b/a N&C Mangini
5 Newsstand to construct, use, and maintain an
6 overhead electrical telecommunications line, under
7 certain terms and conditions.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This bill having
9 been read on two different days, the question now
10 is, shall the bill pass finally?

11 The clerk will please call the roll.

12 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Blackwell?

13 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

14 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke?

15 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

16 THE CLERK: Councilman Cohen?

17 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

18 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco?

19 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

20 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode?

21 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

22 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney?

23 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

24 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Krajewski?

25 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010603

2 THE CLERK: Councilman Longstreth?

3 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.

4 THE CLERK: Councilman Mariano?

5 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

6 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Miller?

7 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.

8 THE CLERK: Councilman Nutter?

9 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.

10 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill?

11 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.

12 THE CLERK: Councilman Ortiz?

13 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.

14 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Reynolds Brown?

15 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: Aye.

16 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo?

17 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

18 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco?

19 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

20 THE CLERK: Council President Verna?

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

22 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A

23 majority of all members of Council having voted in

24 the affirmative, the bill passes.

25 The next bill to be called for

1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010606
2 consideration is Bill No. 010606.

3 THE CLERK: An ordinance establishing a
4 no-truck-parking and tow-away zone regulation on
5 Vine Street, both sides, from 54th Street to 63rd.
6 Street.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This bill having
8 been read on two different days, the question now,
9 shall the bill pass finally?

10 The clerk will please call the roll.

11 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Blackwell?

12 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

13 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke?

14 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

15 THE CLERK: Councilman Cohen?

16 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

17 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco?

18 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

19 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode?

20 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

21 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney?

22 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

23 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Krajewski?

24 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

25 THE CLERK: Councilman Longstreth?

1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010606

2 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.

3 THE CLERK: Councilman Mariano?

4 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

5 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Miller?

6 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.

7 THE CLERK: Councilman Nutter?

8 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.

9 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill?

10 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.

11 THE CLERK: Councilman Ortiz?

12 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.

13 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Reynolds Brown?

14 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: Aye.

15 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo?

16 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

17 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco?

18 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

19 THE CLERK: Council President Verna?

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

21 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A are

22 the majority of all members of Council having voted

23 in the affirmative, the bill passes.

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1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010616

2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The next bill to
3 be called the for consideration is Bill No. 010616.

4 THE CLERK: An ordinance authorizing Ben
5 Franklin Foods to construct, use, and maintain two
6 one-story additions, all under certain terms and
7 conditions.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This bill having
9 been read on two different days, the question now
10 is, shall the bill pass finally?

11 The clerk will please call the roll.

12 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Blackwell?

13 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

14 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke?

15 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

16 THE CLERK: Councilman Cohen?

17 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

18 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco?

19 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

20 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode?

21 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

22 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney?

23 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

24 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Krajewski?

25 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010616

2 THE CLERK: Councilman Longstreth?

3 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.

4 THE CLERK: Councilman Mariano?

5 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

6 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Miller?

7 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.

8 THE CLERK: Councilman Nutter?

9 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.

10 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill?

11 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.

12 THE CLERK: Councilman Ortiz?

13 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.

14 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Reynolds Brown?

15 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: Aye.

16 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo?

17 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

18 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco?

19 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

20 THE CLERK: Council President Verna?

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

22 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A

23 majority of all members of Council having voted in

24 the affirmative, the bill passes.

25 The next bill to be called for

1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010618

2 consideration is Bill No. 010618.

3 THE CLERK: An ordinance establishing a
4 no-truck-parking and tow-away zone regulation on
5 Haverford Avenue, from 68th Street to Brockton Road.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This bill having
7 been read on two different days, the question now
8 is, shall the bill pass finally?

9 The clerk will please call the roll.

10 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Blackwell?

11 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

12 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke?

13 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

14 THE CLERK: Councilman Cohen?

15 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

16 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco?

17 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

18 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode?

19 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

20 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney?

21 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

22 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Krajewski?

23 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

24 THE CLERK: Councilman Longstreth?

25 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.

1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010618

2 THE CLERK: Councilman Mariano?

3 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

4 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Miller?

5 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.

6 THE CLERK: Councilman Nutter?

7 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.

8 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill?

9 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.

10 THE CLERK: Councilman Ortiz?

11 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.

12 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Reynolds Brown?

13 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: Aye.

14 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo?

15 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

16 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco?

17 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

18 THE CLERK: Council President Verna?

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

20 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A

21 majority of all members of Council having voted in

22 the affirmative, the bill passes.

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1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010619

2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The next bill to
3 be called for consideration is Bill No. 010619

4 THE CLERK: An ordinance amending Section
5 9-403 of the Philadelphia Code, entitled "Motor
6 Buses," by adding a provision which prohibits the
7 loading and unloading of passengers at off-street
8 locations.

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This bill having
10 been read on two different days, the question now
11 is, shall the bill pass finally?

12 The clerk will please call the roll.

13 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Blackwell?

14 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

15 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke?

16 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

17 THE CLERK: Councilman Cohen?

18 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

19 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco?

20 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

21 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode?

22 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

23 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney?

24 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

25 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Krajewski?

1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010619
2 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
3 THE CLERK: Councilman Longstreth?
4 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
5 THE CLERK: Councilman Mariano?
6 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
7 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Miller?
8 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
9 THE CLERK: Councilman Nutter?
10 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
11 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill?
12 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
13 THE CLERK: Councilman Ortiz?
14 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.
15 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Reynolds Brown?
16 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: Aye.
17 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo?
18 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
19 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco?
20 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
21 THE CLERK: Council President Verna?
22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
23 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A
24 majority of all members of Council having voted in
25 the affirmative, the bill passes.

1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010620

2 The next bill to be called for
3 consideration is Bill No. 010620.

4 THE CLERK: An ordinance amending Section
5 10-722 of the Philadelphia Code, entitled "Use of
6 Dumpsters," by adding a new subsection providing for
7 hours of collection.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This bill having
9 been read on two different days, the question now
10 is, shall the bill pass finally?

11 The clerk will please call the roll.

12 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Blackwell?

13 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

14 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke?

15 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

16 THE CLERK: Councilman Cohen?

17 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

18 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco?

19 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

20 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode?

21 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

22 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney?

23 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

24 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Krajewski?

25 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010620
2 THE CLERK: Councilman Longstreth?
3 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
4 THE CLERK: Councilman Mariano?
5 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
6 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Miller?
7 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
8 THE CLERK: Councilman Nutter?
9 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
10 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill?
11 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
12 THE CLERK: Councilman Ortiz?
13 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.
14 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Reynolds Brown?
15 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: Aye.
16 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo?
17 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
18 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco?
19 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
20 THE CLERK: Council President Verna?
21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
22 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A
23 majority of all members of Council having voted in
24 the affirmative, this bill passes.
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1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010661

2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The next bill to
3 be called for consideration is Bill No. 010661.

4 THE CLERK: An ordinance authorizing
5 National Railroad Passenger Corporation, its
6 successors and assigns, to construct, own, and
7 maintain a pedestrian bridge and vertical
8 transportation structure all under certain terms and
9 conditions.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The bill having
11 been read on two different days, the question now
12 is, shall the bill pass finally?

13 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Blackwell?

14 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

15 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke?

16 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

17 THE CLERK: Councilman Cohen?

18 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

19 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco?

20 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

21 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode?

22 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

23 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney?

24 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

25 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Krajewski?

1 12/20/01 STATED - 2ND READING - BILL 010661
2 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
3 THE CLERK: Councilman Longstreth?
4 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
5 THE CLERK: Councilman Mariano?
6 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
7 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Miller?
8 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
9 THE CLERK: Councilman Nutter?
10 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
11 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill?
12 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
13 THE CLERK: Councilman Ortiz?
14 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.
15 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Reynolds Brown?
16 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: Aye.
17 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo?
18 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
19 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco?
20 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
21 THE CLERK: Council President Verna?
22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
23 The clerk will please call the roll.
24 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A
25 majority of all members of Council having voted in

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2 the affirmative, this bill passes.

3 The last bill to be called for
4 consideration is Bill No. 010667.

5 THE CLERK: An ordinance authorizing the
6 revision of City Plan No. 19-S by relocating a
7 certain right-of-way for drainage purposes, all
8 under certain terms and conditions.

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This bill having
10 been read on two different days, the question now
11 is, shall the bill pass finally?

12 The clerk will please call the roll.

13 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Blackwell?

14 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

15 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke?

16 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

17 THE CLERK: Councilman Cohen?

18 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

19 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco?

20 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

21 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode?

22 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

23 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney?

24 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

25 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Krajewski?

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2 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

3 THE CLERK: Councilman Longstreth?

4 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.

5 THE CLERK: Councilman Mariano?

6 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

7 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Miller?

8 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.

9 THE CLERK: Councilman Nutter?

10 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.

11 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill?

12 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.

13 THE CLERK: Councilman Ortiz?

14 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.

15 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Reynolds Brown?

16 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: Aye.

17 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo?

18 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

19 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco?

20 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

21 THE CLERK: Council President Verna?

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

23 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A

24 majority of all members of Council having voted in

25 the affirmative, the bill passes.

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2 This concludes our calendar for today

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4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Are there
5 speeches on the part of the Minority?

6 (No speeches on the part of
7 the Minority.)

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Are there
9 speeches on the part of the Majority?

10 The Chair recognizes Councilman Ortiz.

11 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Thank you, Madam
12 President.

13 Last week, I spoke about Governor
14 Schweiker and Scarlet Pimpernel. We still haven't
15 heard from Governor Schweiker, but I hear he is in
16 the City and negotiating. I think that he should
17 understand that the appropriating body of this city
18 is the Council of the City of Philadelphia. Any
19 agreement of our monies that are going to be paid,
20 he should be talking to us, because we are going to
21 have to decide how much, where does it come, can we
22 afford it, and is it realistic.

23 Behind closed doors, deals are being made.
24 We have spoken about that. This Council is not in
25 the loop, this Council is not with any knowledge of

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2 what is going on. The parents of this city don't
3 have any knowledge, and neither do the students.

4 Edison better understand, and Governor
5 Schweiker better understand, the demonstration by
6 students on Wednesday was not the end, it was just
7 the beginning. The lawsuit that we approved to go
8 forward with in this Council today is just the
9 beginning, not the end.

10 A takeover by the State has not functioned
11 in other states, and it will not function in
12 Philadelphia. That is not the answer; that's a
13 quick solution, a quick fix. That is not going to
14 do anything for students.

15 The issue that they are talking about is
16 not about the kids. The issues that they're talking
17 about behind closed doors is not about education
18 reform.

19 And there is going to be conflict because
20 it isn't about the Mayor anymore. The Mayor sold
21 out, gave it out, and signed off on this a long time
22 ago. But the parents of the City of Philadelphia,
23 the parents of the students, this Council have not
24 signed off on any takeover. And I'm with the
25 parents, I'm with the students. And if they're

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2 going to be out, we are going to be out.

3 Edison better be warned, Schweiker better
4 be warned. We need to be able to come to a real
5 reform of schools, not a quick -- silver bullet, not
6 a quick fix, but real reform, and Edison and the
7 takeover is not it.

8 Thank you, Madam Chair. Feliz Navidad.

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

10 The Chair recognizes Councilman Kenney.

11 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you, Madam
12 President.

13 Over the last two years at this time of
14 year, it doesn't seem to have been too pleasant a
15 Christmas season. I think at this time last year,
16 we were debating and approving stadiums under
17 difficulty conditions. And I think this year with
18 the blight fight and the schools and not getting
19 paid, among other things, it's been a very difficult
20 time to get into the Christmas spirit.

21 I'd like to read something that I've
22 always loved at Christmastime. It's well-written,
23 it's a terrific piece of poetry, and it's one of
24 those things that, even at my age and in my
25 profession, makes me still believe in Santa Clause.

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2 (Councilman Kenney reads aloud

3 "Twas the Night Before Christmas.")

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Very nice.

5 (Applause.)

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair

7 recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell.

8 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you, Madam

9 President.

10 Today, before our holiday season, I wanted
11 to again thank some people who are trying to help
12 people in need during this holiday season, and we
13 referred to it last week. Tomorrow we will have The
14 Giveaway from Today's Man for 300 coats. We will be
15 at the northeast corner at 11 a.m. and certainly I
16 join all of my colleagues who are free to be there
17 for that.

18 We want to thank Toys for Tots sponsored
19 by West Health Centers, Dr. Warren Smith.
20 Yesterday, we went to four schools certainly in my
21 area and gave out a minimum of 100 toys at Huey Lee
22 School, Mitchell School, and McMichael.

23 Certainly we want to thank Tyree Johnson
24 from West Side Weekly for the wonderful article he
25 wrote on our sponsoring this program for more than a

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2 thousand women and mostly children. Certainly for
3 Kendall Wilson for calling it a "sea of love" as we
4 try to do our part. We want to thank Mary Mason for
5 her contribution, supporting homeless people and
6 people in need. And finally, Carol Campbell. We
7 just learned that many name-brand items that were
8 being bogusly sold will be donated to homeless, and
9 we are certainly working with her to get those out
10 to people -- caps and sweatsuits and jackets, all
11 name-brand things, you know, legal name brands, but
12 nice items that we will be giving out to homeless
13 people in shelters for the holiday season.

14 And certainly on behalf of myself, I want
15 to say merry Christmas to you and thank you the same
16 for my colleagues, and I think we're going to have a
17 great year next year. It's been a tough year, and
18 certainly our intentions are the best for the people
19 we represent, and I wish everyone a wonderful
20 blessed holiday season.

21 Thank you.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

23 (Applause.)

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
25 recognizes Councilman Mariano.

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2 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Thank you, Madam
3 President.

4 Madam President, for my Christmas gift for
5 Council, I was going to offer a musical rendition of
6 "I'm Getting Nothing For Christmas."

7 (Laughter.)

8 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: But since my last
9 singing -- well, actually, my singing debut in
10 council was received with such bad acclaim, I'll
11 spare my Councilmembers that and wish everyone a
12 merry Christmas.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.
14 Does anyone else want to be recognized?

15 (No response.)

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

17 I agree that we've had a very, very
18 challenging year. Delighted it's coming to an end,
19 to be very candid with you. However, I pray and
20 hope that next year will be much more promising.

21 And I truly, truly want to thank all of my
22 colleagues for putting in countless and countless of
23 hours, working on issues that have come before us.
24 I appreciate your support and your help from the
25 bottom of my heart, and I think of the many days

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2 that we sat in my office from 9 o'clock until after
3 10, many of us never thought about having lunch or
4 even dinner. We were so diligent in what we were
5 doing that, that never even occurred to us.
6 However, I want again want to thank you for
7 constantly being concerned about making improvements
8 to our beautiful city.

9 I want to wish you all well, wish you a
10 very merry Christmas. And I'm sure that we will all
11 pray that there will be peace on earth.

12 Thank you again.

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14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: And the Chair at
15 this time recognizes Councilwoman Tasco.

16 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Thank you, Madam
17 President. I wish everyone a merry Christmas, a
18 happy holiday.

19 I move that Council stand adjourned until
20 Tuesday, January 29, at 10 a.m, 2002.

21 (Duly seconded.)

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Okay. Again I
23 would reiterate -- I said this in the caucus room
24 and I would like to say it again: If anyone is
25 going away, please make certain that we have a

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2 telephone number where you can be reached in the
3 event that it's necessary for us to have a special
4 session.

5 It has been moved and seconded that
6 Council stand adjourned until Tuesday, January 29,
7 2002 at 10 a.m.

8 All in favor will say aye.

9 Those opposed?

10 The ayes have it.

11 Council stands adjourned until Tuesday,
12 January 29, 2002, at 10 a.m.

13 Thank you.

14 (Proceedings end at
15 12:25 p.m.)

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