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PRESENT:

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COUNCIL PRESIDENT ANNA C. VERNA

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COUNCILWOMAN JANNIE BLACKWELL

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COUNCILMAN DARRELL L. CLARKE

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COUNCILMAN FRANK DiCICCO

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COUNCILMAN W. WILSON GOODE, JR.

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COUNCILMAN JACK KELLY

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COUNCILMAN JAMES F. KENNEY

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COUNCILWOMAN DONNA REED MILLER

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COUNCILMAN MICHAEL A. NUTTER

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COUNCILMAN BRIAN J. O'NEILL

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COUNCILMAN JUAN RAMOS

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COUNCILWOMAN BLONDELL REYNOLDS BROWN

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COUNCILMAN FRANK RIZZO

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COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Can I
have your attention, please. Thank you.

I note that the hour has come
and that a quorum of this Council is
present. Council will please come to
order. Members will take their seats,
and visitors will retire to the seats
outside the rails.

To give our invocation this
morning, the Chair welcomes Father Herman
Brinkman of St. Peter of the Apostle
Roman Catholic Church. Father Brinkman
is also a retired Lieutenant Colonel who
served in Vietnam. He is here today as
the guest of Councilman Ramos.

At this time, I would ask all
members and guests to please rise.

(Everyone rises.)

FATHER BRINKMAN: Good morning.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Good
morning, Father.

FATHER BRINKMAN: I can't tell
you how happy I am to be here standing in
such an important place in this beautiful

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2 City of Philadelphia. This is where I
3 was born. My mom and dad were born here
4 and all the family. When I left here to
5 go to school, I stayed here with my
6 heart. Philadelphia is very important to
7 me.

8 An invocation is a calling upon
9 our God and creator to be with us in the
10 works of our lives. You, ladies and
11 gentlemen, are called upon for many
12 difficult tasks of leadership. Your
13 election and selection for these tasks is
14 the will of the electorate, either
15 directly or indirectly. They trust you
16 to make honest, unbiased judicious and
17 vital decisions. May the God of wisdom
18 guide you in your deliberations.

19 As I think of your making these
20 deliberations, I am reminded of a great
21 man who graced the Catholic Bishopric in
22 this City short of two centuries ago.
23 His preserved body lies in state in a
24 glass encasement beneath the altar of the
25 basement church at St. Peter's at 5th and

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2 Girard. He is the very Reverend St. John
3 Bishop Neumann, the fourth Bishop of this
4 Diocese of Philadelphia.

5 By the way, I wonder how many
6 of you people know that here in these
7 United States, from coast to coast, we
8 have four Bishops of the Catholic Church,
9 four, two of them in Philadelphia. We
10 have St. Katharine Drexel there in
11 Bensalem, who took care of the Negro and
12 India missions. She was from a very
13 wealthy family, inherited a lot of money,
14 went into the convent and spent every
15 penny of it on the Negro and Indian
16 missions.

17 St. John Neumann came to
18 Philadelphia after a long period in
19 Buffalo, New York working as a priest,
20 and his work was so important and so
21 wonderful and so saintly of the holy
22 Father, the Pope at that time appointed
23 him as the Bishop of Philadelphia.

24 He was a man like so many of
25 you, just interested in people. He would

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2 go to the lowest and the most poor and
3 the most needy, the most deserving and
4 spend time talking with them, blessing
5 them and trying to ease their hurt in
6 life.

7 That's the kind of persons I
8 believe that you people are, and that's
9 the reason why I mention him here at a
10 meeting such as this.

11 St. John Neumann could minister
12 to everyone. He was famous for entering
13 unannounced into a classroom of children
14 and just talk with the kids, but always
15 talking about the love of God with them.

16 I conclude with an exhortation,
17 that each of us should live lives worthy
18 of our calling, as did St. John Neumann.
19 If you have chosen this life, make it an
20 opportunity to give good example in the
21 way we give honor to ourselves, our
22 families, our country and our fair city,
23 Philadelphia, Philosadelphas in the
24 Greek, City of Brotherly Love.

25 Brothers and sisters, it's so

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2 nice to talk to you, and may God bless

3 you, in the name of the Father and of the

4 Son and of the Holy Spirit.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Amen.

6 The Chair thanks Father

7 Brinkman for his very inspiring

8 invocation.

9 Council will be at ease.

10 (Council at ease.)

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

12 next order of business is the approval of

13 the Journal of the meeting of Thursday,

14 March the 23rd, 2006, and the Chair

15 recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell.

16 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank

17 you, Madam President. I move that the

18 Journal of the meeting of Thursday, March

19 23, 2006 stand approved.

20 (Duly seconded.)

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It

22 has been moved and properly seconded that

23 the Journal of the meeting of Thursday,

24 March 23, 2006 stand approved.

25 All in favor will please

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2 indicate by saying aye.

3 (Aye.)

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Those
5 opposed?

6 (No response.)

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
8 ayes have it, and the Journal of the
9 meeting of Thursday, March 23, 2006 is
10 approved.

11 The next order of business is
12 requests for leave of absence, and,
13 again, the Chair recognizes Councilwoman
14 Blackwell.

15 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
16 you, Madam President. Today a leave of
17 absence is requested for Councilwoman
18 Krajewski and a leave of absence is
19 requested for Councilman Mariano.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank
21 you. Leave will be granted.

22 The Chair recognizes Councilman
23 O'Neill.

24 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Madam
25 President, on behalf of the republicans,

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2 there are no requests for leave of
3 absence.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
5 Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

16 At this time, the Chair
17 recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell, who
18 will present a resolution marking the
19 40th anniversary of the broadcasting
20 career of Edie Huggins.

21 Will Ms. Huggins and those
22 accompanying her please join the
23 Councilwoman.

24 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL:
25 Councilman Ramos, Councilwoman Reynolds

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2 Brown.

3 This is an absolute honor and
4 pleasure for me, and we note that all
5 members of City Council join in this
6 honor. And I always think of Lou at
7 times like this because of our
8 longstanding history.

9 Resolution marking the 40th
10 anniversary of Ms. Edie Huggins'
11 television broadcasting career and
12 honoring Ms. Huggins for more than 40
13 years of accurate news reporting and
14 community service by declaring Thursday,
15 March 30, 2006 as Edie Huggins' Day.

16 Whereas --

17 (Applause.)

18 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL:

19 Whereas, Edie Huggins is one of
20 Philadelphia's most accomplished news
21 journalists who began her career in
22 television at WCAU in January 1966 as a
23 feature reporter on the "Big News Team
24 with John Facenda"; and

25 Whereas, Ms. Huggins has

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2 anchored and co-anchored the news,
3 interviewed scores of personalities and
4 newsmakers, reported on countless news
5 stories, and presented memorable
6 investigative reports on a variety of
7 subjects; and

8 Whereas, back in the early
9 '70s, Edie and Herb Clarke co-hosted
10 "What's Happening," a midday news
11 program, and in the mid '70s hosted
12 "Morning Side," a magazine show featuring
13 interviews with celebrities and
14 politicians, along with segments on
15 health, finance and entertainment; and

16 Whereas, Ms. Huggins, one of
17 NBC's most celebrated correspondents,
18 provides daily reports on NBC 10 News and
19 has given much of her professional life
20 serving her community and being strong in
21 her advocacy for many causes; and

22 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Whereas,
23 Ms. Huggins continues to serve on many
24 boards throughout the Greater
25 Philadelphia region and is one of the

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2 founding members of the National
3 Association of Black Journalists, which
4 honored her in 2005; and

5 Whereas, in giving back to our
6 community, Ms. Huggins created the
7 "Huggins Hero Reports," a Friday segment
8 profiling the heroic life of an ordinary
9 person doing an extraordinary deed; and

10 Whereas, in 2002, Huggins was
11 recognized for her achievements in
12 broadcasting by being inducted into the
13 Philadelphia Broadcast Pioneers Hall of
14 Fame and was chosen by the Urban League
15 of Philadelphia as one of the outstanding
16 African-American Philadelphians of the
17 20th century; and

18 Whereas, in 1993, she was
19 honored by the Philadelphia Chapter of
20 American Women in Radio and Television as
21 Communicator of the Year; and

22 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: We have a
23 few more "whereas."

24 MS. HUGGINS: I like it.

25 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Whereas,

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2 Ms. Huggins graduated cum laude from the
3 State University of New York with a
4 Bachelor's degree in science and, after
5 graduation, worked as a registered nurse
6 while at the same time making national
7 headlines by doubling as an actress and
8 consultant for the NBC daytime drama "The
9 Doctors"; and

10 Whereas, Ms. Huggins resides in
11 the Philadelphia area and is the mother
12 of two adult children, a son, Hastings
13 Edward Huggins, and a daughter, Laurie
14 Lynn Huggins.

15 Now, therefore resolved, by the
16 Council of the City of Philadelphia, that
17 we mark the 40th anniversary of Ms. Edie
18 Huggins' television broadcasting career
19 and honor Ms. Huggins for more than 40
20 years of accurate news reporting and
21 community service by declaring Thursday,
22 March 30, 2006 as Edie Huggins' Day.

23 Further resolved, that an
24 engrossed copy of this resolution shall
25 be presented to Ms. Edie Huggins as

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2 evidence of the sincere sentiments of
3 this legislative body.

4 Congratulations.

5 (Applause.)

6 MS. HUGGINS: I just happen to
7 have ten pages of speech, which you all
8 are going to have to sit kindly and
9 listen to.

10 First of all, I thank you so
11 very, very much for this honor, 40 years
12 in the making, so many grand and glorious
13 things, mixed in with a little pain and
14 paranoia.

15 When I came here 40 years ago,
16 I had two children, an apartment full of
17 furniture and a Cocker Spaniel that I
18 couldn't keep in the apartment, and it
19 was a very frightening experience. First
20 of all, I had never planned for a career
21 in broadcasting. I was a nurse. I
22 studied at the University of Nebraska
23 music. I was a wonderful nurse. I was a
24 terrible musician. So I didn't know
25 where I was going.

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2 But when I was asked to come
3 here, I knew one person in the City of
4 Philadelphia. And I had many questions.
5 Who was I to emulate? In whose footsteps
6 was I to walk? And I often felt like an
7 explorer trying to find my way, trying to
8 find role models, to understand a city,
9 the City of Philadelphia, that was so
10 unlike St. Joe, Missouri, the place where
11 I was born and raised; Lincoln, Nebraska
12 where I went to college, where I was
13 married and started my family;
14 Plattsburgh, New York where I went with
15 my Air Force husband; New York City,
16 Manhattan before coming here.
17 Philadelphia was a different entity
18 altogether.

19 Looking back, I see the places,
20 the events that Philadelphia has given
21 me. I learned about those people who had
22 the character and leadership qualities
23 that I came to admire. Unfortunately, by
24 living so long, but thank God I have,
25 many of the idols have left, judges like

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2 my dear friend Juanita Kidd Stout, Leon
3 Higginbotham, ministers with insight and
4 fortitude like the Reverend Leon
5 Sullivan, Reverend William Gray, Sr.

6 As I hit the streets and began
7 to cover stories, I had questions. Why
8 did a city like Philadelphia have to
9 protest to open the doors to Girard
10 College? There were characters that
11 impressed me. I wondered what was Cecil
12 Moore carrying in his briefcase, and then
13 one day he slammed it down and we all
14 found out what he had -- one of the
15 things that he had in his briefcase, 100
16 proof. But a wonderful, wonderful,
17 brilliant man.

18 But one fight that will always
19 last in my mind, Roxanne Jones. I don't
20 know -- you young people wouldn't
21 remember her, but --

22 (Applause.)

23 MS. HUGGINS: -- we remember
24 Roxanne and her welfare rights movement.
25 Now, Roxanne was probably 5'1", but she

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2 was tough as nails. Well, she and
3 then-Inspector George Fencil, who was
4 head of Civil Affairs, they had run-ins
5 constantly, and so I had to cover one one
6 day. And Roxanne and her group, they
7 were blocking traffic. So Fencil said,
8 Roxanne, you've got to go.

9 Roxanne said, George, I'm not
10 going anywhere.

11 And so they just kept at it.
12 Roxanne got louder and louder, and George
13 Fencil's face got redder and redder. And
14 pretty soon they were nose to nose. And
15 if you remember Fencil, when he got
16 angry, he got very quiet, but very, very
17 red.

18 So Roxanne just put her arms
19 down by her side. She clenched her
20 fists. George Fencil picked her up by
21 her fists and walked her over to the curb
22 and sat her down.

23 I said, This is going to be a
24 good one.

25 They looked at each other and

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2 they started laughing, because what was
3 going on here was Philadelphia respect.
4 Roxanne knew what she had to do. Fencil
5 knew what he had to do, and they
6 respected each other, even though it was
7 kind of a love-hate thing they were both
8 doing. And I see this so much in the
9 makeup of the City of Philadelphia.

10 Even today, I ask myself
11 questions. Was Commissioner Mayor Rizzo
12 the racist that some people say he was?
13 I knew Frank Rizzo, and, in my opinion,
14 and it is my personal opinion, and I will
15 go to my grave thinking this way, Frank
16 Rizzo didn't like bad things. If you
17 were bad, if you were black, if you were
18 white, if you were anywhere in between,
19 he was going to take you on. So I say
20 no, he wasn't. Did he want fairness? I
21 say yes, he wanted fairness.

22 There were other questions that
23 are not so easy to answer that
24 Philadelphia taught me. How do you
25 explain a Mummer to someone who has never

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2 been to Philadelphia or has never seen a
3 Mummer's Parade? Just try it. I mean,
4 where do you start? There's this 6'3"
5 guy who dresses up in sequins. But we
6 love our Mummies because they're part of
7 our City.

8 Other questions were asked.

9 John Facenda, was he a true gentleman?
10 Was he as professional and generous and
11 loving? Was Jack Jones a nice guy? And
12 the answer to both of those, yes, yes,
13 yes.

14 Questions I still can't answer.
15 Why did MOVE exist? Why didn't they take
16 the land that was offered to them out in
17 the country? Why did it get so out of
18 control? I can't answer those questions
19 about my City of Philadelphia.

20 When did we first hear about
21 crack? When did we first hear about
22 crack, the poison that has caused so much
23 crime and caused so many deaths?

24 There have been changes in 40
25 years. When I came here, there was no

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2 building that was ever going to be taller
3 than Billy Penn. Well, all we have to do
4 is look around us.

5 Would there ever be a black
6 Mayor or black Police Commissioner?
7 Never. Would a woman ever serve on the
8 State Supreme Court? Would there ever be
9 a President, a female President, of City
10 Council? Would there ever be a female
11 District Attorney? Would there ever be
12 an African-American Secretary of
13 Transportation or a head of the
14 Congressional Budget Committee or
15 Inspector General of the Commonwealth of
16 Pennsylvania? Never. But, yes, they are
17 and they were.

18 More, I guess now, will we ever
19 see a Philadelphian be the first
20 President, female President, in the White
21 House? We'll have more on that on the
22 11:00.

23 Well, 20 years ago, I received
24 a proclamation right in this room from
25 City Council, and I'll fondly remember

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2 President Joseph Coleman, David Cohen,
3 Lucien Blackwell. And for those of you
4 who are still here, I'm overwhelmed that
5 you were kind enough to think that, first
6 of all, I'd make it for another 20 years,
7 because in this business -- first of all,
8 where the majority of my co-workers and
9 supervisor are younger than my children
10 and all of the other pains and problems
11 that come with broadcasting, I am sure
12 you thought I'd be institutionalized by
13 now, but the good news is, Byberry's
14 doors are closed, so they can't put me
15 there.

16 But in closing, for me, it's
17 been a 40-year love affair. I have met
18 and interviewed celebrities, national and
19 international leaders and heroes. But
20 that having been said, part of my family
21 is now Philadelphia. I've created
22 something here in Philadelphia that I
23 didn't have when I arrived, and they're
24 with me here today. They surround me.

25 Here's what blows my mind: I

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2 invited some people, and these are people
3 with major commitments. You see them
4 here. They have major responsibilities.
5 And I said, City Council is doing a
6 wonderful thing for me, do you think you
7 could take a few minutes? And they all
8 had the same answer. It was as though
9 they were reading from the same script,
10 "I would be honored." And that just
11 fills me up. It fills me up, because
12 what it tells me, I am so blessed.

13 I don't have mothers, fathers,
14 brothers, sisters. My immediate family
15 are my two children, my son and my
16 daughter. But all of these other people,
17 and many of you out there, are part of my
18 extended family, and for that, I am
19 blessed. I mean, there are a few kooks
20 among the group, but what's a family
21 without a few whacky members? You know
22 what I mean? But if you don't have it,
23 you haven't lived.

24 I truly thank you all very much
25 for this honor, and it is indeed an

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2 honor. My mother used to tell me, Honey,
3 make me proud of you. I hope I have made
4 you proud. Thank you.

5 (Applause.)

6 (Standing ovation.)

7 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Some
8 of her friends, Edie's friends, in
9 addition to her family who are here, are
10 our own DA, Lynne Abraham. Next to her
11 or on the end, we have the Honorable
12 Judge Nitza Quinones Alejandro, Common
13 Pleas Court. We have Donald Patterson,
14 our State Inspector General. Many of you
15 remember him well. To my right, we have
16 our own Police Commissioner, Sylvester
17 Johnson, and next to him, we have Bilal
18 Qayyum, Men United for a Better
19 Philadelphia.

20 We thank them as well for being
21 here today.

22 (Applause.)

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

24 Council will be at ease.

25 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank

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2 you, Councilwoman Tasco. I'm so used to
3 us honoring in our own stead. We are
4 honored and pleased to have Sally Starr
5 here with us today. We love our Sally
6 Starr.

7 (Applause.)

8 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: May we
9 also note, I'm told that Tom Brookshier
10 is here. Where are you?

11 Thank you.

12 (Applause.)

13 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
14 you for being here. We love our
15 Philadelphia heroes. God bless you.
16 Thank you for being here.

17 Commissioner O'Neill, we served
18 on a committee together. Commissioner
19 O'Neill, would you stand up? Thank you
20 as well.

21 Council, will we greet
22 Commissioner Joe O'Neill.

23 Thank you for being here.

24 (Applause.)

25 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: In

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2 fact, you gentlemen might want to come up
3 and join us for our photograph, would you
4 please. Thank you again for being here.

5 (Council at ease.)

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
7 Chair now recognizes Councilman Rizzo,
8 who will present a resolution honoring
9 Azeem, the Wonder Dog.

10 Will Commissioner Sylvester
11 Johnson and those accompanying him please
12 join the Councilman at the podium.

13 Councilman Rizzo is being
14 joined by Councilman Kenney, Councilwoman
15 Miller, Councilman Clarke and Councilman
16 Kelly. And would all of the members of
17 the Police Department please join the
18 Councilmembers.

19 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Commissioner
20 Ayers, all the City officials, please
21 come, associated with this resolution,
22 please. Cal Rudman, who has got a nice
23 surprise for us. Bob Eddis. Thank you.

24 Good morning, everyone. Today
25 we're here to recognize a great member of

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2 the Philadelphia Police Department, and
3 before I read the resolution, I just want
4 to point out why Azeem and Officer Paul
5 Bryant were so very important to not just
6 the City of Philadelphia, the
7 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, but the
8 nation.

9 Azeem was the most decorated
10 canine in recent years, taking four
11 Pennsylvania quarterly awards and two
12 national quarterly awards from the United
13 States Police Canine Association, which
14 is the largest police canine organization
15 in the United States, Canada and the U.S.
16 Virgin Islands; in 1999, the Knights of
17 Columbus Lawman of the Year Award; the
18 Burlington County Prosecutors Award where
19 Azeem helped solve the Kimberly
20 Szumski -- forgive me for not pronouncing
21 that properly. How is that pronounced?
22 Szumski homicide; the Excellence in
23 Performance Award presented by the
24 Citizens Crime Commission; the Shomron
25 Award; the Fraternal Order of Police

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2 the nation.

3 COUNCILMAN KELLY: And whereas,
4 Azeem was the only trained
5 cadaver-sniffing dog in the area, and in
6 addition to the Philadelphia Police
7 Department was helpful to the Federal
8 Bureau of Investigation, New Jersey and
9 Pennsylvania State Police Departments and
10 other law enforcement agencies; and

11 Whereas, Azeem participated in
12 the recovery efforts at Ground Zero after
13 the World Trade Center attacks on
14 September 11, 2001.

15 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Whereas,
16 Azeem won the prestigious 2001 Case of
17 the Year Award given by the United States
18 Police Canine Association in the Kim
19 Szumski case in which Azeem remarkably
20 located a body entombed in a concrete
21 wall; and

22 Whereas, Azeem superbly
23 represented the Philadelphia Police
24 Department and the City of Philadelphia,
25 he will be greatly missed.

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2 Now, therefore

3 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Be it
4 resolved, by the Council of the City of
5 Philadelphia, that it recognizes, honors,
6 celebrates and remembers Azeem, the Brave
7 One, Badge No. K-527, a seven-year
8 veteran of the Philadelphia Police
9 Department, for his honorable service and
10 extraordinary talents that personified
11 his commitment to not only the citizens
12 of Philadelphia, but also to the United
13 States of America.

14 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Further
15 resolved, that an engrossed copy of this
16 resolution be presented to Philadelphia
17 Police Commissioner Sylvester Johnson and
18 his partner, Officer Paul Bryant, further
19 evidencing the sincere admiration and
20 gratitude of this legislative body.

21 Before I present the resolution
22 to Officer Paul Bryant and Commissioner
23 Sylvester Johnson, a very significant
24 person in this region who has always
25 stepped forward to help Commissioner

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2 Lloyd Ayers, if it comes to educating
3 firefighters, to buy bullet-proof vests
4 for our K-9 dogs, it's a man named Cal
5 Rudman. We all know that name. So today
6 he's here to present Commissioner
7 Sylvester Johnson a check for \$6,500, not
8 just to replace Azeem but to buy two
9 additional cadaver dogs for the
10 Philadelphia Police Department.

11 Cal Rudman, Sylvester.

12 (Applause.)

13 MR. RUDMAN: It has been my
14 pleasure to buy ten police dogs over the
15 past few years. Great need for them.
16 And now the opportunity arose with Azeem
17 passing away for Azeem to be replaced.

18 In addition, a sergeant has
19 been assigned to the K-9, and he will
20 need a dog. So at the present time, I
21 have taken it upon myself for, we call
22 it, Rudman's Ranch or Cal's Corner, to
23 pay for two more police dogs. We will,
24 of course, need a cadaver dog, we will
25 need a narcotics dog and we will also

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2 need a bomb dog. Whatever they need, I
3 step up to the plate to supply.

4 So what also I have done, for
5 those who aren't aware, we had a dog that
6 was left overnight in a car, in the dog
7 car, and the dog died, and, of course,
8 there was consternation throughout the
9 Delaware Valley. I found out about
10 equipment that is placed into the police
11 dog's car, and the way it works is, when
12 the temperature goes above 83 degrees, a
13 siren goes off, the lights go on, the
14 windows come down, a big fan goes on and
15 I like to say the dog then cooks
16 breakfast for himself.

17 But this can never happen
18 again. So it was a great deal of pride
19 for me to supply that equipment.

20 So I am now presenting to
21 Commissioner Johnson, a very dear friend
22 and associate, a check. The dogs now run
23 just around \$3,500. We get a pretty good
24 deal on them. So I am supplying \$7,000
25 immediately for two dogs, but we will

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2 want a third dog to have a back-up dog.

3 So that's what I'm here to do.

4 COUNCILMAN RIZZ0: In a couple
5 minutes, he added 500 bucks to the deal.

6 Thanks, Cal. That's great.

7 (Applause.)

8 COUNCILMAN RIZZ0: Captain
9 O'Brien, the commanding officer of the
10 K-9 Unit, has joined us.

11 And, Captain, I think
12 eventually one of these dogs needs to be
13 named Cal. So I think that maybe the
14 next boy dog, that you name him Cal.

15 Well, I want to present also
16 Paul Bryant, Officer Paul Bryant, who was
17 Azeem's partner for many years -- and I
18 know that Commissioner won't mind me
19 presenting this to Officer Bryant. This
20 is the resolution here honoring your
21 partner for so many years, and
22 congratulations.

23 (Applause.)

24 OFFICER BRYANT: I hadn't
25 prepared anything to say, but as a

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Christian first, I thank God for giving me the strength and knowledge to do what I do with these dogs. I thank the Commissioner who believed in the program a long time ago when he got it, wondering what a cadaver dog was, and two people in the back, my wife and sons, who supported me bringing another dog in the house and doing such dirty training. But the Department has been very supportive to me. My new captain, O'Brien, he supports me, the FOP, who sent me to Alabama to receive my award, and a host of other people. The list is too long. But most of all, I thank the citizens of Philadelphia who supported me all throughout my career with Azeem.

19 Thank you very much and God
20 bless.

21 (Applause.)

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
23 Chair recognizes Commissioner Johnson for
24 remarks.

25 COMMISSIONER JOHNSON: Very

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2 at Ground Zero shortly after September
3 11th, and I know Commissioner Lloyd Ayers
4 wouldn't want the day to be complete
5 without him thanking Officer Bryant and
6 Azeem for the great work that he provided
7 for the Philadelphia Fire Department.

8 COMMISSIONER AYERS: Good
9 morning. I'd like to thank Officer
10 Bryant, the Police Department for
11 assisting us, our Urban Search and Rescue
12 Team. Pennsylvania Task Force 1 was the
13 first team to hit Ground Zero, outside of
14 the members of the New York Urban Search
15 and Rescue Team, and we began the layout
16 and search, and without Azeem and the
17 support from the Philadelphia Police
18 Department, we wouldn't have been able to
19 make the groundbreaking and the initial
20 search patterns. We wouldn't have been
21 able to do that.

22 So we really appreciate the
23 cadaver dogs. Without them, we can't
24 locate the folks. We wouldn't know where
25 to search. And we appreciate it. So we

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2 appreciate everything that you've done.

3 God bless you and your family.

4 (Applause.)

5 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Thank you,

6 and feel free to take a look at Azeem.

7 He was a great member of the Philadelphia

8 Police Department and will be missed.

9 But thank you, Cal, for making

10 sure that the units stay strong, and we

11 appreciate the financial support, not

12 \$6,500 but \$7,000 to replace the two

13 dogs. Thank you.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank

15 you all very much.

16 Council will be at ease.

17 (Council at ease.)

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

19 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Miller.

20 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Thank

21 you, Madam President. I need to be

22 excused to attend Council business and

23 would like to leave a vote of aye on all

24 bills and resolutions.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Leave

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2 will be granted. Thank you.

3 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Thank
4 you.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
6 Chair recognizes Councilman Ramos.

7 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Thank you,
8 Madam President. Today in Chambers we
9 have a group of veterans who are putting
10 together a march on Washington on April
11 the 25th and the 26th to protest the
12 continued underfunding of the veterans
13 healthcare system.

14 With this group is the
15 President of the group, called Firing for
16 Effect, Mr. Gene Simes, and with him also
17 is someone on my staff, retired Marine
18 Corporal Tony Jenkins, and also we heard
19 from him this morning with the
20 invocation, retired Lieutenant Colonel
21 Father Herman Brinkman, but also a whole
22 host of veterans who put their lives on
23 the line. A lot of them from the Vietnam
24 War are here this morning, and I would
25 like them to stand up so we can

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2 acknowledge them.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

4 Welcome.

5 (Applause.)

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

8 The Chair requests that the

9 Sergeant-At-Arms deliver the messages
10 from the Mayor to the Chief Clerk.

11 The Chief Clerk will please
12 read the messages from the Mayor.

13 CHIEF CLERK: To the President
14 and members of the Council of the City of
15 Philadelphia, I am pleased to advise you
16 that on March 30, 2006, I signed all the
17 bills that were passed by Council at its
18 session on March 16, 2006, except Bill
19 No. 051144-A; and

20 I am pleased to advise you that
21 on March 30th, I signed the following
22 bill that was passed by Council at its on
23 session on March 23, 2006: Bill No.
24 060092; and

25 I am herewith returning to you

1 3/30/06 - STATED - COMMUNICATIONS
2 as disapproved Bill No. 051144-AA, which
3 would amend Title 14 of The Philadelphia
4 Code, entitled "Zoning and Planning"; and

5 I am transmitting for the
6 consideration of your honorable body a
7 resolution approving the redevelopment
8 contract and disposition supplement of
9 the Redevelopment Authority, the City of
10 Philadelphia, for the redevelopment and
11 urban renewal of a portion of the Model
12 Cities Urban Renewal Area; and

13 An ordinance authorizing and
14 directing the revision of lines and
15 grades on a portion of City Plan No. 271
16 by striking from the City Plan and
17 vacating Odd Fellows Avenue; and

18 An ordinance authorizing the
19 Philadelphia Authority for Industrial
20 Development to file an application with
21 the Office of the Budget in an amount not
22 to exceed \$500,000 to assist in the
23 development of Impact Services; and

24 An ordinance authorizing the
25 Philadelphia Authority for Industrial

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2 Development to file an application with
3 the Office of the Budget in an amount not
4 to exceed \$2,575,000 to assist in the
5 development of the Cancer Treatment
6 Centers of America.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
8 you. The messages will be printed in the
9 Journal.

10 I would ask the Chief Clerk to
11 please read any other communications in
12 her possession.

13 CHIEF CLERK: That's all I
14 have, Madam President.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
16 you.

17 The next order of business is
18 the introduction of bills and
19 resolutions, and the Chair recognizes
20 Councilwoman Blackwell for a motion.

21 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
22 you, Madam President. I move that the
23 rules of Council be suspended in order to
24 permit the immediate consideration of
25 resolutions at their time of

1 3/30/06 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS

2 introduction.

3 (Duly seconded.)

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
5 has been moved and properly seconded that
6 the rules of Council be suspended so as
7 to permit immediate consideration of
8 resolutions at the time of introduction.

9 All in favor will please
10 indicate by saying aye.

11 (Aye.)

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
13 opposed?

14 (No response.)

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
16 ayes have it and the motion carries.

17 The Chair recognizes Councilman
18 Kenney.

19 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you,
20 Madam President. I offer one resolution.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
22 you.

23 The Chief Clerk will please
24 read the title of the resolution.

25 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution

1 3/30/06 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS
2 authorizing City Council's Legislative
3 Oversight Committee to hold public
4 hearings to investigate the Hero
5 Scholarship Fund, Scholarship Award
6 guidelines, the Fund's administrative
7 decision-making and the status of the
8 2006 Thrill Show.

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
10 you.

11 The Chair again recognizes
12 Councilman Kenney.

13 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: I move the
14 adoption of the resolution.

15 (Duly seconded.)

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

19 All in favor will please
20 indicate by saying aye.

21 (Aye.)

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
23 opposed?

24 (No response.)

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

1 3/30/06 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS
2 ayes have it and the resolution will be
3 referred to the Legislative Oversight
4 Committee.

5 The Chair recognizes
6 Councilwoman Blackwell.

7 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
8 you, Madam President. Today I introduce
9 one resolution. It is signed by all
10 members of Council, co-sponsored by
11 Councilwoman Blondell Reynolds Brown,
12 Donna Miller, Darrell Clarke and Juan
13 Ramos.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
15 Chief Clerk will please read the title of
16 the resolution.

17 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
18 commending the students of Howard
19 University for spending their spring
20 break in New Orleans helping victims of
21 Hurricane Katrina and congratulating them
22 for being recognized as "Persons of the
23 Week" by ABC News for their important
24 contribution to public service.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

1 3/30/06 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS

2 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell.

3 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
4 you, Madam President. I move for the
5 adoption of the resolution.

6 (Duly seconded.)

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

10 All in favor will please say
11 aye.

12 (Aye.)

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
14 opposed?

15 (No response.)

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
17 ayes have it and the resolution is
18 adopted.

19 Councilwoman, didn't you have a
20 second resolution to be introduced?

21 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Madam
22 President, I decided to hold it.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Fine.
24 Thank you.

25 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank

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2 you.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: At
4 this time, the Chair recognizes
5 Councilwoman Tasco.

6 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Madam
7 President, I have no bills or resolutions
8 today.

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
10 you.

11 The Chair recognizes Councilman
12 Nutter.

13 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Thank you,
14 Madam President. I have no bills or
15 resolutions today.

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
17 you.

18 The Chair recognizes
19 Councilwoman Brown.

20 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Thank you,
21 Madam President. No bills or resolutions
22 today.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
24 you.

25 The Chair recognizes Councilman

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2 Goode.

3 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you,
4 Madam President. I have no bills or
5 resolutions today.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
7 Chair thanks the gentleman.

8 The Chair recognizes Councilman
9 Ramos.

10 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Thank you,
11 Madam President. I offer one privileged
12 resolution.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
14 Chief Clerk will please read the title of
15 the resolution.

16 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
17 recognizing Operation Firing for Effect
18 and its effort to bring equal and fair
19 rights to all the brave men and women who
20 have served our country, and urging
21 everyone around the nation to participate
22 in the Veterans March 2006 in Washington,
23 D.C. on April 25th and 26th, 2006.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
25 Chair again recognizes Councilman Ramos.

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2 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Thank you,
3 Madam President. I move for the adoption
4 of the resolution.

5 (Duly seconded.)

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
7 has been moved and seconded that the
8 resolution be adopted.

9 All in favor will say aye.

10 (Aye.)

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
12 opposed?

13 (No response.)

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
15 ayes have it and the resolution is
16 adopted.

17 The Chair recognizes Councilman
18 DiCicco.

19 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Thank you,
20 Madam President. I offer three bills and
21 one resolution.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
23 Chief Clerk will please read the title of
24 the first bill.

25 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance

1 3/30/06 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS
2 authorizing and directing the revision of
3 lines and grades on a portion of City
4 Plan No. 271 by striking from the City
5 Plan and vacating Odd Fellows Avenue.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
7 bill will be referred to the appropriate
8 committee.

9 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
10 authorizing the Philadelphia Authority
11 for Industrial Development to file an
12 application with the Office of the Budget
13 under the Redevelopment Assistance
14 Capital Program.

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

18 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
19 amending Section 21-501 of The
20 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Special
21 Rights, Privileges and Franchises," by
22 increasing the fee related to special
23 ordinances and requiring that such fee be
24 paid prior to the introduction of such
25 ordinance, all under certain terms and

1 3/30/06 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS

2 conditions.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
4 bill will be referred to the appropriate
5 committee.

6 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
7 approving the redevelopment contract and
8 disposition supplement of the
9 Redevelopment Authority for the urban
10 renewal of a portion of the South Central
11 Urban Renewal Area.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
13 Chair recognizes Councilman DiCicco.

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

17 (Duly seconded.)

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

21 All in favor will please
22 indicate by saying aye.

23 (Aye.)

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
25 opposed?

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2 (No response.)

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
4 ayes have it and the resolution is
5 adopted.

6 The Chair recognizes Councilman
7 O'Neill.

8 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Thank you,
9 Madam President. I offer one bill and
10 one resolution. Thank you.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
12 you.

13 The Chief Clerk will please
14 read the title of the bill.

15 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
16 amending Chapter 22-300 of The
17 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Retirement
18 Benefits," by amending Section 22-306,
19 entitled "Retirement and Survivorship
20 Benefit Options," by providing for
21 benefits to be paid to certain trusts for
22 disabled children, under certain terms
23 and conditions.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
25 bill will be referred to the appropriate

1 3/30/06 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS

2 committee.

3 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
4 recognizing the heroic efforts of William
5 and Carole Py in raising their three
6 orphaned grandchildren and commending
7 ABC's Extreme Makeover: Home Edition, by
8 giving the Py grandparents a new house,
9 and commending Drexel University for
10 committing college scholarships to the Py
11 grandchildren.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
13 Chair recognizes Councilman O'Neill.

14 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: I move the
15 adoption.

16 (Duly seconded.)

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

20 All in favor will please say
21 aye.

22 (Aye.)

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
24 opposed?

25 (No response.)

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
3 ayes have it and the resolution is
4 adopted.

5 The Chair recognizes Councilman
6 Clarke.

7 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Madam
8 President, earlier I indicated I was
9 introducing one resolution and two bills,
10 but I'm going to hold a resolution. So
11 today I'll only introduce two bills.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Okay.
13 Chief Clerk.

14 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
15 authorizing the Philadelphia Authority
16 for Industrial Development to file an
17 application with the Office of the
18 Budget, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
19 under the Redevelopment Assistance
20 Capital Program.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
22 bill will be referred to the appropriate
23 committee.

24 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
25 amending Section A-301, entitled

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2 "Application for Permit," and Section
3 A-302, entitled "Permits of Chapter 3,"
4 entitled, "Permits of Subcode A,"
5 entitled "The Philadelphia Administrative
6 Code."

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

10 The Chair recognizes Councilman
11 Kelly.

12 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Madam
13 President, I offer one resolution.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
15 you.

16 The Chief Clerk will please
17 read the title of the resolution.

18 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
19 urging the Pennsylvania General Assembly
20 to work with Governor Rendell in his
21 efforts to end Pennsylvania's reputation
22 as the puppy-mill capital of the East.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
24 Chair recognizes Councilman Kelly.

25 COUNCILMAN KELLY: I move for

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2 the adoption.

3 (Duly seconded.)

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It
5 has been moved and seconded that the
6 resolution be adopted.

7 All in favor will please
8 indicate by saying aye.

9 (Aye.)

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Those
11 opposed?

12 (No response.)

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
14 ayes have it and the resolution is
15 adopted.

16 The Chair recognizes Councilman
17 Rizzo.

18 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Madam
19 President, no bills or resolutions today.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
21 Chair thanks the gentleman.

22 The next order of business is
23 reports from committees, and the Chair
24 recognizes Councilman Clarke for a report
25 from the Committee on Rules.

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2 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Thank you,
3 Madam President. The Committee on Rules
4 reports one bill with a favorable
5 recommendation.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
7 you.

8 I would ask the Chief Clerk to
9 please read the report.

10 CHIEF CLERK: To the President
11 and members of the Council of the City of
12 Philadelphia, the Committee on Rules, to
13 which was referred Bill No. 060159,
14 entitled "An ordinance to amend the
15 Institutional Development District Master
16 Plan of Holy Family University by
17 allowing for construction of a new
18 student residence building," respectfully
19 reports it has considered the same and
20 returns the attached bill to Council with
21 a favorable recommendation.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
23 you.

24 The Chair again recognizes
25 Councilman Clarke.

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2 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Madam
3 President, I move that the rules of
4 Council be suspended so as to permit
5 first reading this day of Bill No.
6 060159.

7 (Duly seconded.)

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
9 has been moved and properly seconded that
10 the rules of Council be suspended so as
11 to permit first reading this day of Bill
12 No. 060159.

13 All in favor will indicate by
14 saying aye.

15 (Aye.)

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
17 opposed?

18 (No response.)

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
20 ayes have it, and the bill just read will
21 be placed on our First Reading Calendar
22 for today.

23 At this time, the Chair
24 recognizes Councilwoman Tasco for a
25 report from the Committee on Public

1 3/30/06 - STATED - REPORTS

2 Health and Human Services.

3 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Madam
4 President, the Committee on Public Health
5 and Human Services reports one bill with
6 a favorable recommendation.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
8 you.

9 The Chief Clerk will please
10 read the report.

11 CHIEF CLERK: To the President
12 and members of the Council of the City of
13 Philadelphia, the Committee on Public
14 Health and Human Services, to which was
15 referred Bill No. 060050, entitled "An
16 ordinance amending Chapter 10-600 of The
17 Philadelphia Code, entitled 'Public
18 Places - Prohibited Conduct,' by
19 prohibiting smoking in public places and
20 in the workplace, and providing for
21 penalties, all under certain terms and
22 conditions," respectfully reports it has
23 considered the same and returns the
24 attached bill to Council with a favorable
25 recommendation.

1 3/30/06 - STATED - REPORTS

2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
3 you.

4 Again, the Chair recognizes
5 Councilwoman Tasco.

6 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Madam
7 President, I move that the rules of
8 Council be suspended so as to permit
9 first reading today of Bill 060050.

10 (Duly seconded.)

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
12 has been moved and properly seconded that
13 the rules of Council be suspended so as
14 to permit first reading this day of Bill
15 No. 060050.

16 All in favor will please
17 indicate by saying aye.

18 (Aye.)

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
20 opposed?

21 (No response.)

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
23 ayes have it, and the bill just read will
24 be placed on our First Reading Calendar
25 for today.

1 3/30/06 - STATED - 1ST READING

2 The next order of business is
3 the consideration of the Calendar.

4 The Chief Clerk will please
5 read the bills on the First Reading
6 Calendar.

7 CHIEF CLERK: Bill No. 060159,
8 entitled "An ordinance to amend the
9 Institutional Development District Master
10 Plan of Holy Family University by
11 allowing for the construction of a new
12 student residence building."

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
14 Chair agrees.

15 CHIEF CLERK: And Bill No.
16 060050, an ordinance amending Chapter
17 10-600 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled
18 "Public Places - Prohibited Conduct," by
19 prohibiting smoking in public places and
20 in the workplace, and providing for
21 penalties, all under certain terms and
22 conditions.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
24 Chair agrees.

25 That completes our First

1 3/30/06 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 Reading Calendar for today.

3 The Chair now recognizes
4 Councilwoman Blackwell for the purpose of
5 calling up bills on the Second Reading
6 and Final Passage Calendar to be
7 considered today.

8 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
9 you, Madam President. Today our Second
10 Reading and Final Passage Calendar begins
11 on Page 7. We will hear Bill Nos.
12 060043, 060116. All of Page 8, Bill Nos.
13 060009, 060051, 53 and 57. On Page 9,
14 Bill Nos. 060110 and 114, and on our last
15 page, Bill Nos. 060141, 060156 and,
16 finally, Bill No. 060183. All other
17 bills are being held.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
19 you.

20 The Chief Clerk will please
21 read the title of Bill No. 060043.

22 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
23 approving the fourth amendment of the
24 redevelopment proposal for the 45th and
25 Sansom Urban Renewal Area.

1 3/30/06 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This
3 bill having been read on two different
4 days, the question now is shall the bill
5 pass finally.

6 The Chief Clerk will please
7 call the roll.

8 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
9 Blackwell.

10 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

11 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
12 Clarke.

13 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

14 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
15 DiCicco.

16 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.

17 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Goode.

18 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

19 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.

20 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.

21 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
22 Kenney.

23 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

24 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
25 Miller voting aye. Councilman Nutter.

1 3/30/06 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
3 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
4 O'Neill.
5 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
6 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Ramos.
7 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Aye.
8 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
9 Reynolds Brown.
10 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.
11 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.
12 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
13 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
14 Tasco.
15 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
16 CHIEF CLERK: Council President
17 Verna.
18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
19 The ayes are 14; the nays are zero. A
20 majority of all members having voted in
21 the affirmative, this bill passes.
22 We will now consider Bill No.
23 060116.
24 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
25 amending Section 14-1610 of The

1 3/30/06 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Old City
3 Residential Area Special District
4 Controls," all under certain terms and
5 conditions.

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

10 The Chief Clerk will please
11 call the roll.

12 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
13 Blackwell.

14 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

15 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
16 Clarke.

17 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

18 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
19 DiCicco.

20 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.

21 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Goode.

22 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

23 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.

24 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.

25 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman

1 3/30/06 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 Kenney.
3 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
4 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
5 Miller voting aye. Councilman Nutter.
6 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
7 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
8 O'Neill.
9 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
10 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Ramos.
11 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Aye.
12 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
13 Reynolds Brown.
14 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.
15 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.
16 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
17 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
18 Tasco.
19 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
20 CHIEF CLERK: Council President
21 Verna.
22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
23 The ayes are 14; the nays are zero. A
24 majority of all members having voted in
25 the affirmative, the bill passes.

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2 The next bill to be called for
3 consideration is Bill No. 060009.

4 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
5 authorizing Antoinette McCoy to
6 construct, operate and maintain an
7 open-air sidewalk cafe.

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

12 The Chief Clerk will please
13 call the roll.

14 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
15 Blackwell.

16 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

17 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
18 Clarke.

19 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

20 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
21 DiCicco.

22 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.

23 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Goode.

24 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

25 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.

1 3/30/06 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.
3 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
4 Kenney.
5 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
6 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
7 Miller voting aye. Councilman Nutter.
8 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
9 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
10 O'Neill.
11 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
12 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Ramos.
13 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Aye.
14 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
15 Reynolds Brown.
16 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.
17 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.
18 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
19 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
20 Tasco.
21 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
22 CHIEF CLERK: Council President
23 Verna.
24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
25 The ayes are 14; the nays are zero. A

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2 majority of all members having voted in
3 the affirmative, this bill passes.

4 We will now consider Bill No.
5 060051.

6 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
7 authorizing and directing the revision of
8 lines and grades on a portion of City
9 Plan No. 143, under certain terms and
10 conditions.

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

15 The Chief Clerk will please
16 call the roll.

17 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
18 Blackwell.

19 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

20 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
21 Clarke.

22 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

23 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
24 DiCicco.

25 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.

1 3/30/06 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Goode.
3 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
4 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.
5 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.
6 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
7 Kenney.
8 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
9 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
10 Miller voting aye. Councilman Nutter.
11 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
12 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
13 O'Neill.
14 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
15 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Ramos.
16 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Aye.
17 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
18 Reynolds Brown.
19 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.
20 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.
21 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
22 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
23 Tasco.
24 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
25 CHIEF CLERK: Council President

1 3/30/06 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 Verna.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

4 The ayes are 14; the nays are zero. A
5 majority of all members having voted in
6 the affirmative, this bill passes.

7 The next bill to be called for
8 consideration is Bill No. 060053.

9 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
10 amending Chapter 12-3000 of The
11 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Use of an
12 Automated Red Light Enforcement System to
13 Prevent Red Light Violations," all under
14 certain terms and conditions.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This
16 bill having been read on two different
17 days, the question now is shall the bill
18 pass finally.

19 The Chief Clerk will please
20 call the roll.

21 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
22 Blackwell.

23 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

24 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
25 Clarke.

1 3/30/06 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.
3 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
4 DiCicco.
5 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.
6 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Goode.
7 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
8 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.
9 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.
10 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
11 Kenney.
12 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
13 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
14 Miller voting aye. Councilman Nutter.
15 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
16 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
17 O'Neill.
18 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
19 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Ramos.
20 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Aye.
21 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
22 Reynolds Brown.
23 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.
24 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.
25 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

1 3/30/06 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman

3 Tasco.

4 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

5 CHIEF CLERK: Council President

6 Verna.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

8 The ayes are 14; the nays are zero. A
9 majority of all members having voted in
10 the affirmative, this bill passes.

11 We will now consider Bill No.
12 060057.

13 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
14 amending Title 9 of The Philadelphia Code
15 by prohibiting street and sidewalk
16 vending on certain portions of Spring
17 Garden Street.

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

22 The Chief Clerk will please
23 call the roll.

24 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
25 Blackwell.

1 3/30/06 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.
3 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
4 Clarke.
5 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.
6 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
7 DiCicco.
8 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.
9 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Goode.
10 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
11 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.
12 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.
13 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
14 Kenney.
15 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
16 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
17 Miller voting aye. Councilman Nutter.
18 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
19 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
20 O'Neill.
21 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
22 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Ramos.
23 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Aye.
24 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
25 Reynolds Brown.

1 3/30/06 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.

3 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.

4 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

5 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman

6 Tasco.

7 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

8 CHIEF CLERK: Council President

9 Verna.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

11 The ayes are 14; the nays are zero. A
12 majority of all members having voted in
13 the affirmative, this bill passes.

14 We will now consider Bill No.

15 060110.

16 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
17 authorizing George Wake to construct,
18 operate and maintain an existing
19 one-story building addition, under
20 certain terms and conditions.

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

25 The Chief Clerk will please

1 3/30/06 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 call the roll.
3 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
4 Blackwell.
5 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.
6 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
7 Clarke.
8 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.
9 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
10 DiCicco.
11 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.
12 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Goode.
13 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
14 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.
15 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.
16 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
17 Kenney.
18 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
19 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
20 Miller voting aye. Councilman Nutter.
21 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
22 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
23 O'Neill.
24 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
25 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Ramos.

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2 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Aye.

3 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman

4 Reynolds Brown.

5 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.

6 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.

7 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

8 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman

9 Tasco.

10 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

11 CHIEF CLERK: Council President

12 Verna.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

14 The ayes are 14; the nays are zero. A
15 majority of all members having voted in
16 the affirmative, this bill passes.

17 The next bill to be called for
18 consideration is Bill No. 060114.

19 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
20 authorizing and directing the revision of
21 lines and grades on a portion of City
22 Plan Nos. 240 and 295, all under certain
23 terms and conditions.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This
25 bill having been read on two different

1 3/30/06 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 days, the question now is shall the bill
3 pass finally.
4 The Clerk will please call the
5 roll.
6 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
7 Blackwell.
8 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.
9 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
10 Clarke.
11 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.
12 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
13 DiCicco.
14 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.
15 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Goode.
16 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
17 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.
18 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.
19 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
20 Kenney.
21 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
22 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
23 Miller voting aye. Councilman Nutter.
24 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
25 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman

1 3/30/06 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 O'Neill.
3 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
4 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Ramos.
5 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Aye.
6 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
7 Reynolds Brown.
8 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.
9 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.
10 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
11 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
12 Tasco.
13 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: Aye.
14 CHIEF CLERK: Council President
15 Verna.
16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
17 The ayes are 14; the nays are zero. A
18 majority of all members having voted in
19 the affirmative, this bill passes.
20 We will now consider Bill No.
21 060141.
22 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
23 amending Section 9-204 of The
24 Philadelphia Code by permitting vending
25 on the west side of 10th Street.

1 3/30/06 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This
3 bill having been read on two different
4 days, the question now is shall the bill
5 pass finally.

6 The Chief Clerk will please
7 call the roll.

8 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
9 Blackwell.

10 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

11 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
12 Clarke.

13 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

14 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
15 DiCicco.

16 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.

17 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Goode.

18 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

19 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.

20 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.

21 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
22 Kenney.

23 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

24 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
25 Miller voting aye. Councilman Nutter.

1 3/30/06 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
3 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
4 O'Neill.
5 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
6 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Ramos.
7 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Aye.
8 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
9 Reynolds Brown.
10 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.
11 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.
12 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
13 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
14 Tasco.
15 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
16 CHIEF CLERK: Council President
17 Verna.
18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
19 The ayes are 14; the nays are zero. A
20 majority of all members having voted in
21 the affirmative, the bill passes.
22 We will now consider Bill No.
23 060156.
24 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
25 amending Section 12-1120 of The

1 3/30/06 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Abandoned
3 Vehicles," by increasing the towing and
4 storage fees, under certain terms and
5 conditions.

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

10 The Chief Clerk will please
11 call the roll.

12 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
13 Blackwell.

14 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

15 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
16 Clarke.

17 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

18 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
19 DiCicco.

20 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.

21 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Goode.

22 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

23 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.

24 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.

25 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman

1 3/30/06 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 Kenney.
3 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
4 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
5 Miller voting aye. Councilman Nutter.
6 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
7 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
8 O'Neill.
9 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
10 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Ramos.
11 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Aye.
12 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
13 Reynolds Brown.
14 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.
15 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.
16 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
17 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
18 Tasco.
19 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
20 CHIEF CLERK: Council President
21 Verna.
22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
23 The ayes are 14; the nays are zero. A
24 majority of all members having voted in
25 the affirmative, this bill passes.

1 3/30/06 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 The last bill to be called for
3 consideration is Bill No. 060183.

4 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
5 authorizing and directing the revision of
6 lines and grades on a portion of City
7 Plan No. 393, all under certain terms and
8 conditions.

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

13 The Chief Clerk will please
14 call the roll.

15 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
16 Blackwell.

17 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

18 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
19 Clarke.

20 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

21 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
22 DiCicco.

23 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.

24 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Goode.

25 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

1 3/30/06 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.
3 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.
4 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
5 Kenney.
6 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
7 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
8 Miller voting aye. Councilman Nutter.
9 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
10 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
11 O'Neill.
12 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
13 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Ramos.
14 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Aye.
15 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
16 Reynolds Brown.
17 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.
18 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.
19 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
20 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
21 Tasco.
22 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
23 CHIEF CLERK: Council President
24 Verna.
25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

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2 The ayes are 14; the nays are zero. A
3 majority of all members having voted in
4 the affirmative, this bill passes.

5 That completes our Calendar for
6 today. Are there speeches on the part of
7 the Minority?

8 (No response.)

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

12 The Chair recognizes
13 Councilwoman Brown.

14 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Thank you,
15 Madam President. I'd simply like to
16 mention that immediately following
17 Council at 12:00 noon, there will be an
18 opportunity for members of Council to
19 learn more about the Benefit Bank. What
20 we know already is that billions of
21 dollars never get to many of our
22 citizens, and Benefits Bank is about the
23 business of letting citizens know the
24 number of tax credits available for low
25 and moderate-income families. So I'm

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2 inviting all members of Council and/or
3 their staff representatives to learn more
4 about Benefit Bank.

5 Thank you, Madam President.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

7 You're welcome.

8 The Chair recognizes
9 Councilwoman Blackwell.

10 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
11 you, Madam President. Today I rise
12 because on the front of the paper today
13 it says "End of the Line - A Dry Cleaner
14 Says SEPTA's El Project Has Finally
15 Killed His Business." And I think the
16 titles just depict how frustrated we are
17 with the SEPTA project, and albeit my
18 colleague, Councilman Nutter, is quoted
19 in the area, because on that part of
20 Market Street -- he extends to the north
21 side. As all of you know, the Market
22 Street Elevated Project goes from 46th to
23 63rd. And our frustration has continued
24 to exist because of the disrespect of
25 people.

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2 Yesterday in our hearings, the
3 Commerce Department came and said that we
4 have 30 businesses that have now closed
5 thanks to the SEPTA Market Street
6 Elevated Project. And the way people
7 have been disrespected and people who
8 have been in business for 40 years and
9 more and to have them continue to lose
10 out because of this project is
11 unconscionable.

12 There are few projects that
13 have made me feel frustrated and have
14 made me feel unsuccessful. This is one
15 of the few in my 30-year career that have
16 made me feel that we're just losing it.
17 And so we're very, very frustrated about
18 it.

19 We continue to say that SEPTA
20 is just wrong in the way it treats
21 people. They have been insensitive as to
22 how they deal with this project. They've
23 been outright disrespectful at the way
24 they've treated people who live and
25 people who function on neighborhood

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2 corridors, and we rise to tell this
3 businessman that we're sorry, we're sorry
4 that this continues to be such a failure
5 and that people continue to be treated so
6 poorly.

7 Thank you, Madam President.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

9 You're welcome.

10 Are there any other speeches on
11 the part of the Majority?

12 The Chair recognizes Councilman
13 Nutter.

14 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Thank you,
15 Madam President.

16 Madam President, I'd only add
17 to my colleague, Councilwoman Blackwell,
18 I'm in sympathy with her comments. We
19 feel the same pain. It has been very
20 difficult for many people out there, and
21 I'm going to continue to work with Dave
22 through just a tragic time in his
23 personal and professional career. And I
24 appreciate Councilwoman Blackwell in her
25 continued vigilance on this issue and our

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2 cooperative working relationship.

3 Thank you, Madam President.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank
5 you.

6 Are there any other speeches on
7 the part of the Majority?

8 (No response.)

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna:
10 Seeing none, the Chair recognizes
11 Councilwoman Tasco for a motion to
12 adjourn.

13 COUNCILWOMAN TESCO: Madam
14 President, I move that Council stand
15 adjourned until Thursday, April the 6th,
16 2006 at 10:00 a.m.

17 (Duly seconded.)

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It
19 has been moved and seconded that Council
20 stand adjourned until Thursday, April 6,
21 2006.

22 All in favor will say aye.

23 (Aye.)

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Those
25 opposed?

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2 (No response.)
3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
4 ayes have it and the motion carries.
5 Thank you all very much.
6 (Stated Meeting adjourned
7 concluded 11:35 a.m.)

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