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COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA

STATED MEETING

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Room 400, City Hall
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Thursday, April 19, 2007
10:15 a.m.

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PRESENT:

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ANNA C. VERNA
COUNCILWOMAN JANNIE BLACKWELL
COUNCILWOMAN CAROL ANN CAMPBELL
COUNCILMAN DARRELL L. CLARKE
COUNCILMAN FRANK DiCICCO
COUNCILMAN W. WILSON GOODE, JR.
COUNCILMAN WILLIAM GREENLEE
COUNCILMAN JACK KELLY
COUNCILMAN JAMES F. KENNEY
COUNCILWOMAN JOAN L. KRAJEWSKI
COUNCILWOMAN DONNA REED MILLER
COUNCILMAN BRIAN J. O'NEILL
COUNCILMAN JUAN RAMOS
COUNCILWOMAN BLONDELL REYNOLDS BROWN
COUNCILMAN FRANK RIZZO
COUNCILMAN DANIEL SAVAGE
COUNCILWOMAN MARIAN B. TASCO

MICHAEL DECKER, CLERK

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COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: I

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note that the hour has come and that a

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quorum of this Council is present.

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Council will please come to order.

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Members will take their seats and

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visitors will retire to the seats outside

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the rails.

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To give our invocation this

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morning, the Chair welcomes Reverend

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Kevin Palmer, Assistant Pastor of the

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Second Mt. Zion Baptist Church. He is

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here today as the guest of Councilman

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Kenney.

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I would ask all members and

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guests to please rise.

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(Everyone rises.)

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REVEREND PALMER: President

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Verna, to Councilman Kenney and to all

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the Council, we thank you. Let us pray.

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Lord, you have been our

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dwelling place in all generations before

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the mountains were formed and even you

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formed the earth and the world, even from

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everlasting to everlasting, thou art God,

16 (Amen.)

20 Council will be at ease.

21 (Council at ease.)

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERA: The
23 next order of business is the approval of
24 the Journal of the meeting of Thursday,
25 April 12, 2007, and the Chair recognizes

1 4/19/07 - STATED - APPROVAL OF JOURNAL
2 Councilwoman Blackwell.

3 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
4 you, Madam President. I move that the
5 Journal of the meeting of Thursday, April
6 12, 2007 stand approved.

7 (Duly seconded.)

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
9 has been moved and properly seconded that
10 the Journal of the meeting of Thursday,
11 April 12, 2007 stand approved.

12 All in favor will please
13 indicate by saying aye.

14 (Aye.)

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
16 opposed?

17 (No response.)

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
19 ayes have it and the Journal of the
20 meeting of Thursday, April 12, 2007 is
21 approved.

22 The next order of business is
23 requests for leave of absence, and the
24 Chair again recognizes Councilwoman
25 Blackwell.

1 4/19/07 - STATED - LEAVES

2 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
3 you, Madam President. There are no
4 requests for leaves of absence on the
5 part of the majority.

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

8 The Chair recognizes Councilman
9 O'Neill.

10 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Madam
11 President, on behalf of the republicans,
12 there are no requests for leave of
13 absence.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
15 Chair thanks the gentleman.

16 The Chair will dispense with
17 the regular order of business to
18 recognize the guests and visitors joining
19 us in Chambers this morning. On behalf
20 of all members of Council, I welcome you
21 to our Council session. We appreciate
22 your taking the time to join us as we
23 attend to the legislative affairs of our
24 city. We certainly invite you to come
25 again.

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2 At this time, the Chair
3 recognizes Councilwoman Miller, who will
4 present a resolution commemorating April
5 21st as National Youth Service Day in
6 Philadelphia.

7 Will Ms. Erin Hartshorn and
8 those accompanying her please join the
9 Councilwoman at the podium.

10 The Chair recognizes
11 Councilwoman Miller, who is being joined
12 by Councilman Greenlee and Councilwoman
13 Brown.

14 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Good
15 morning, everyone.

16 Commemorating April 21, 2007 as
17 National Youth Service Day in
18 Philadelphia and recognizing the host,
19 Greater Philadelphia Cares, whose mission
20 is to give positive direction to our
21 young people and to make a positive
22 difference in our communities.

23 Whereas, Greater Philadelphia
24 Cares will host National Youth Service
25 Day on April 21, 2007 for the greater

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2 Philadelphia region to foster and
3 celebrate the contributions of vast
4 numbers of young people who participate
5 in their programs; and

6 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Whereas,
7 National Youth Service Day is the largest
8 youth service event in the nation,
9 mobilizing young people to identify the
10 needs of their communities and address
11 them through service - recruiting the
12 next generation of volunteers and
13 educating the public about year-round
14 youth community leadership activities;
15 and

16 Whereas, on National Youth
17 Service Day, a public awareness campaign
18 will highlight the valuable and
19 productive contributions young people are
20 making throughout the region and their
21 communities 365 days a year; and

22 Whereas, young people will
23 design and facilitate service-learning
24 projects in a broad variety of areas,
25 ranging from literacy to healthcare, aid

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2 to the elderly, help for the hungry or
3 homelessness and concern for the
4 environment; and

5 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Whereas,
6 young people, their leaders and young
7 service workers, in coalition with
8 Greater Philadelphia Cares, are operating
9 and producing projects in areas such as
10 community development, blight removal,
11 social services, assistance to seniors or
12 people with disabilities,
13 AIDS/HIV-related services and animal
14 care; and

15 Whereas, Greater Philadelphia
16 Cares continues to succeed in its mission
17 to support the creation of vibrant
18 communities by motivating people to
19 volunteer their time, their talents and
20 resources, providing a clear path to
21 service for all, enhancing the impact of
22 non-profit agencies throughout the
23 greater Philadelphia region; and

24 Whereas, Greater Philadelphia
25 Cares, through its mission, strives to

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2 raise the awareness level of us all
3 regarding the critical social and
4 quality-of-life needs in all communities
5 in and around our city, our region and
6 nation, which then increases our capacity
7 to care and serve. Now, therefore

8 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Resolved,
9 by the Council of the City of
10 Philadelphia, that we commemorate April
11 21, 2007 as National Youth Service Day in
12 Philadelphia and recognize the host,
13 Greater Philadelphia Cares, for its
14 valuable contributions to our
15 communities.

16 Further resolved, that an
17 engrossed copy of this resolution be
18 presented to Greater Philadelphia Cares,
19 as further evidencing the sincere
20 admiration and gratitude of this
21 legislative body.

22 Certification, this is a true
23 and correct copy of the original
24 resolution, adopted by the Council of the
25 City of Philadelphia on the 15th day of

1 4/19/07 - STATED - PRESENTATIONS

2 March 2007, signed by Anna C. Verna,
3 President of City Council, introduced by
4 Donna Reed Miller and Blondell Reynolds
5 Brown and co-sponsored by all members of
6 City Council.

7 Thank you.

8 (Applause.)

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
10 Chair recognizes Ms. Hartshorn for
11 remarks.

12 MS. HARTSHORN: Good morning.
13 On behalf of Greater Philadelphia Cares,
14 it is my honor to accept this resolution.
15 Since 1994, Greater Philadelphia Cares
16 has been mobilizing volunteers to
17 participate in community service projects
18 that produce tangible results. Whether
19 it has been cleaning a park, teaching a
20 child to read or spending time with
21 seniors, Philadelphia Cares' volunteers
22 have answered the call to address our
23 community's most pressing needs. This
24 commitment to action has resulted in over
25 one million hours of service to the City.

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2 On April 21st, National Youth
3 Service Day, we will be sending some 45
4 teams totalling 800 youth volunteers to
5 27 agencies and parks across the City.
6 These young people experience firsthand
7 the transformative power of community
8 engagement. This group represents the
9 future leadership of our city, and we are
10 honored to partner with them in helping
11 to shape the future of Philadelphia.

12 Thank you.

13 (Applause.)

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

15 Council will be at ease.

16 (Council at ease.)

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

19 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Thank
20 you, Madam President. Today we are
21 pleased to have a visit from eight autism
22 students from Germantown High School.
23 They're accompanied by their teacher,
24 Ms. Joan Bommentre, Ms. Huggins and
25 Mr. Hayes, and we're just going to take a

1 4/19/07 - STATED - COMMUNICATIONS

2 picture. Thank you for coming today.

3 (Applause.)

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

6 The Chair requests that the

7 Sergeant-At-Arms deliver the messages

8 from the Mayor to the Chief Clerk.

9 The Clerk will please read the
10 messages from the Mayor.

11 THE CLERK: There are no
12 messages from the Mayor at this time,
13 Madam President.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
15 you. Does the Clerk have any other
16 communications in his possession?

17 THE CLERK: I have none.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
19 you.

20 The next order of business is
21 the introduction of bills and
22 resolutions, and the Chair recognizes
23 Councilwoman Blackwell for a motion.

24 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
25 you, Madam President. I move that the

1 4/19/07 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS
2 rules of Council be suspended in order to
3 permit the immediate consideration of
4 resolutions at their time of
5 introduction.

6 (Duly seconded.)

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
8 you. It has been moved and properly
9 seconded that the rules of Council be
10 suspended so as to permit immediate
11 consideration of resolutions at the time
12 of introduction.

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 motion carries.

21 The Chair recognizes Councilman
22 Kenney.

23 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you,
24 Madam President. I offer six resolutions
25 and I also offer one resolution on my

1 4/19/07 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS
2 behalf and on behalf of Councilwoman
3 Reynolds Brown.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
5 you.

6 The Clerk will please read the
7 first resolution.

8 THE CLERK: A resolution
9 approving the appointment of Peter J.
10 Fischer to the Veterans' Advisory
11 Commission.

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

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

16 (Duly seconded.)

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

20 All in favor will say aye.

21 (Aye.)

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
23 opposed?

24 (No response.)

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

1 4/19/07 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS

2 ayes have it and the motion carries.

3 THE CLERK: A resolution
4 approving the appointment of Joseph C.
5 Waters, Jr. to the Veterans' Advisory
6 Commission.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
8 Chair again recognizes Councilman Kenney.

9 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: I move its
10 adoption.

11 (Duly seconded.)

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

15 All in favor will say aye.

16 (Aye.)

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
18 opposed?

19 (No response.)

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
21 ayes have it and the resolution is
22 adopted.

23 THE CLERK: A resolution
24 approving the appointment of Ernest
25 Landers to the Veterans' Advisory

1 4/19/07 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS

2 Commission.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
4 Chair recognizes Councilman Kenney.

5 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: I move the
6 adoption of the resolution.

7 (Duly seconded.)

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

11 All in favor will say 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 THE CLERK: A resolution
20 approving the appointment of R. Edward
21 Speller to the Veterans' Advisory
22 Commission.

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

25 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: I move the

1 4/19/07 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS

2 adoption of the resolution.

3 (Duly seconded.)

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

7 All in favor will say aye.

8 (Aye.)

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
10 opposed?

11 (No response.)

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
13 ayes have it and the resolution is
14 adopted.

15 THE CLERK: A resolution
16 approving the appointment of Samuel Blow
17 to the Veterans' Advisory Commission.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
19 Chair recognizes Councilman Kenney.

20 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: I move the
21 adoption of the resolution.

22 (Duly seconded.)

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

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2 All in favor will say aye.

3 (Aye.)

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
5 opposed?

6 (No response.)

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
8 ayes have it and the resolution is
9 adopted.

10 THE CLERK: A resolution
11 approving the appointment of Delano
12 Stones to the Veterans' Advisory
13 Commission.

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

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

18 (Duly seconded.)

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

22 All in favor will please say
23 aye.

24 (Aye.)

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those

1 4/19/07 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS

2 opposed?

3 (No response.)

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

7 THE CLERK: A resolution
8 authorizing City Council's Committee on
9 the Environment and the Committee on
10 Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs to
11 hold joint public hearings to examine the
12 conditions, maintenance policies and
13 irrigation methods used to maintain
14 functional and safe outdoor athletic
15 fields citywide.

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

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

20 (Duly seconded.)

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: All
22 in favor.

23 (Aye.)

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
25 opposed?

1 4/19/07 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS

2 (No response.)

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
4 ayes have it and the resolution will be
5 referred to the Committees on Environment
6 and the Parks, Recreation and Cultural
7 Affairs.

8 The Chair recognizes
9 Councilwoman Blackwell.

10 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
11 you, Madam President. Today I introduce
12 one resolution on your behalf and one on
13 my behalf.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
15 you.

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

18 THE CLERK: A resolution
19 authorizing the Director of Commerce, on
20 behalf of the City of Philadelphia, to
21 file an application for and, if the
22 application is accepted, to execute
23 contracts to obtain additional grant
24 funds from the Commonwealth of
25 Pennsylvania, Department of Community and

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2 Economic Development, to be used for
3 business district revitalization.

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

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

9 (Duly seconded.)

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

13 All in favor will say aye.

14 (Aye.)

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
16 opposed?

17 (No response.)

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
19 ayes have it and the resolution is
20 adopted.

21 THE CLERK: A resolution
22 authorizing the Commissioner of Public
23 Property to execute and deliver to the
24 Redevelopment Authority of the City of
25 Philadelphia deeds located in the 30th,

1 4/19/07 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS
2 36th and 40th Wards of the City of
3 Philadelphia.

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

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

9 (Duly seconded.)

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

13 All in favor will please say
14 aye.

15 (Aye.)

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
17 opposed?

18 (No response.)

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
20 ayes have it and the resolution is
21 adopted.

22 The Chair recognizes Councilman
23 Greenlee.

24 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Thank
25 you, Madam President. Together with

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2 Councilman Ramos I offer one bill.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
4 Clerk will please read the title of the
5 bill.

6 THE CLERK: An ordinance
7 repealing Section 17-101 of The
8 Philadelphia Code, entitled
9 "Prequalification of Prospective Bidders
10 for Contracts for Construction of Public
11 Works," and enacting a new Section 17-101
12 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled
13 "Prequalification of Responsible
14 Contractors and Subcontractors for Public
15 Works Contracts."

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

19 The Chair recognizes
20 Councilwoman Krajewski.

21 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Thank
22 you, Madam President. I offer two
23 resolutions.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
25 you.

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

4 THE CLERK: A resolution
5 authorizing the Commissioner of Public
6 Property to execute and deliver to the
7 Redevelopment Authority of the City of
8 Philadelphia deeds to property located in
9 the 45th Ward of the City of
10 Philadelphia.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
12 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Krajewski.

13 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: I move
14 for the adoption of the resolution.

15 (Duly seconded.)

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

19 All in favor will say aye.

20 (Aye.)

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
22 opposed?

23 (No response.)

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
25 ayes have it and the resolution is

1 4/19/07 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS

2 adopted.

3 THE CLERK: A resolution
4 declaring April 2007 as Autism Awareness
5 Month.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
7 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Krajewski.

8 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: I move
9 for the adoption of the resolution.

10 (Duly seconded.)

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

14 All in favor will say aye.

15 (Aye.)

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
17 opposed?

18 (No response.)

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
20 ayes have it and the resolution is
21 adopted.

22 The Chair recognizes
23 Councilwoman Tasco.

24 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Madam
25 President, I have no bills or resolutions

1 4/19/07 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS

2 today.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

4 Chair thanks the Councilwoman.

5 The Chair recognizes

6 Councilwoman Miller.

7 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Thank

8 you, Madam President. Today I have one

9 bill and one resolution.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank

11 you.

12 The Clerk will please read the

13 title of the bill.

14 THE CLERK: An ordinance

15 granting permission to Peggy Jones -

16 Musa, owner and operator of the newsstand

17 located on the northeast corner of

18 Chelten Avenue and Greene Street, to

19 construct, use and maintain overhead

20 electrical and telecommunications lines.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

22 bill will be referred to the appropriate

23 committee.

24 THE CLERK: And a resolution

25 authorizing the Commissioner of Public

1 4/19/07 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS

2 Property to execute and deliver to the
3 Redevelopment Authority of the City of
4 Philadelphia deeds to property located in
5 the 13th and 59th Wards of the City of
6 Philadelphia.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
8 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Miller.

9 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: I move
10 for the adoption of the resolution.

11 (Duly seconded.)

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

15 All in favor will say aye.

16 (Aye.)

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
18 opposed?

19 (No response.)

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
21 ayes have it and the resolution is
22 adopted.

23 The Chair recognizes Councilman
24 Savage.

25 COUNCILMAN SAVAGE: Thank you,

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2 Madam President. I offer one resolution
3 for today.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
5 you.

6 The Clerk will please read the
7 title of the resolution.

8 THE CLERK: A resolution
9 authorizing the Committee on Public
10 Health and Human Services to hold
11 hearings to bring together leaders in
12 public health to discuss the mental
13 health component of the crime epidemic in
14 the City of Philadelphia.

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

17 COUNCILMAN SAVAGE: I move for
18 the adoption of the resolution.

19 (Duly seconded.)

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

23 All in favor will indicate by
24 saying aye.

25 (Aye.)

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
3 opposed?

4 (No response.)

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
6 ayes have it and the resolution will be
7 referred to the Committee on Public
8 Health and Human Services.

9 The Chair recognizes Councilman
10 DiCicco.

11 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Thank you,
12 Madam President. I offer one bill, which
13 is co-sponsored by you, and I offer four
14 resolutions, one on your behalf.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
16 you.

17 The Clerk will please read the
18 title of the bill.

19 THE CLERK: An ordinance
20 amending Chapter 19-2600 of The
21 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Business
22 Privilege Taxes," by amending the
23 definition of "Net Income" with respect
24 to the portion of net income that is
25 properly attributable and allocable to

1 4/19/07 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS

2 the doing of business in Philadelphia.

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

6 THE CLERK: And a resolution
7 authorizing the creation of a Special
8 Committee on Gaming Alternate Site
9 Selection of the City Council of
10 Philadelphia, for the purpose of holding
11 hearings and making written
12 recommendations to identify alternate
13 locations for slot parlors in the City.

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

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

19 (Duly seconded.)

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

23 All in favor will say aye.

24 (Aye.)

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those

1 4/19/07 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS

2 opposed?

3 (No response.)

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

7 THE CLERK: And a resolution
8 authorizing the Commissioner of Public
9 Property to execute and deliver to the
10 Redevelopment Authority of the City of
11 Philadelphia deeds to property located in
12 the 11th, 25th and 31st Wards of the City
13 of Philadelphia.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
15 Chair again recognizes Councilman
16 DiCicco.

17 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Thank you,
18 Madam President. I move for the adoption
19 of the resolution.

20 (Duly seconded.)

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

24 All in favor will say aye.

25 (Aye.)

1 4/19/07 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS

2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
3 opposed?

4 (No response.)

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
6 ayes have it and the resolution is
7 adopted.

8 THE CLERK: And a resolution
9 authorizing the Commissioner of Public
10 Property to execute and deliver to the
11 Redevelopment Authority of the City of
12 Philadelphia deeds to property located in
13 the 31st Ward of the City of
14 Philadelphia.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
16 Chair again recognizes Councilman
17 DiCicco.

18 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Thank you,
19 Madam President. I move for the adoption
20 of the resolution.

21 (Duly seconded.)

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

25 All in favor will say aye.

1 4/19/07 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS

2 (Aye.)

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Those
4 opposed?

5 (No response.)

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
7 ayes have it and the resolution is
8 adopted.

9 THE CLERK: And a resolution
10 honoring and congratulating Saint Rita of
11 Cascia Parish and the National Shrine of
12 Saint Rita on its centenary year 1907
13 through 2007.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
15 Chair recognizes Councilman DiCicco.

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

19 (Duly seconded.)

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

23 All in favor will say aye.

24 (Aye.)

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Those

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2 opposed?

3 (No response.)

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

7 The Chair recognizes
8 Councilwoman Brown.

9 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Thank you,
10 Madam President. I offer two
11 resolutions, the equal payday resolution
12 co-sponsored by Councilwoman Marian
13 Tasco.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
15 you.

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

18 THE CLERK: A resolution
19 proclaiming April 24, 2007 as Equal
20 Payday.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
22 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Brown.

23 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: I move for
24 the adoption.

25 (Duly seconded.)

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
3 has been moved and properly seconded that
4 the resolution be adopted.

5 All in favor will say aye.
6 (Aye.)

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
8 opposed?

9 (No response.)

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
11 ayes have it and the resolution is
12 adopted.

13 THE CLERK: A resolution
14 honoring Shaping America's Youth on the
15 occasion of SAY Town Meeting on Saturday,
16 April 21, 2007.

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

19 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: I move for
20 the adoption.

21 (Duly seconded.)

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

25 All in favor will say aye.

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2 (Aye.)

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
4 opposed?

5 (No response.)

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
7 ayes have it and the resolution is
8 adopted.

9 The Chair recognizes Councilman
10 Goode.

11 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you,
12 Madam President. I have no bills or
13 resolutions today.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
15 Chair thanks the gentleman.

16 The Chair recognizes Councilman
17 Ramos.

18 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Thank you,
19 Madam President. I offer no bills or
20 resolutions today.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
22 you.

23 The Chair recognizes
24 Councilwoman Campbell.

25 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Thank

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2 you, Madam President. One resolution and
3 two bills.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
5 you.

6 The Clerk will please read the
7 title of the first bill.

8 THE CLERK: An ordinance
9 amending Chapter 10-600 of The
10 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Public
11 Places - Prohibited Conduct," by amending
12 Section 10-604, entitled "Alcoholic
13 Beverages," by increasing penalties
14 regarding alcoholic beverages in certain
15 City-owned recreation centers.

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

19 THE CLERK: An ordinance
20 amending Title 6 of The Philadelphia
21 Code, entitled "Health Code," by
22 requiring semi-annual inspection of
23 mobile food vendors.

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

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2 appropriate committee.

3 THE CLERK: And a resolution
4 authorizing City Council's Committee on
5 Education to hold hearings to investigate
6 and determine the feasibility of imposing
7 by ordinance the requirement that the
8 class sizes in grades kindergarten
9 through third not exceed 20 students and
10 in grades four through 12 class size
11 shall not exceed 25 children.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
13 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Campbell.

14 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: I move
15 for the adoption of the resolution.

16 (Duly seconded.)

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

20 All in favor will say aye.

21 (Aye.)

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
23 opposed?

24 (No response.)

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

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2 ayes have it and the resolution is
3 adopted.

4 The Chair recognizes Councilman
5 O'Neill.

6 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Madam
7 President, I have no bills or
8 resolutions.

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
10 you.

11 The Chair recognizes Councilman
12 Clarke.

13 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Madam
14 President, I have one resolution.

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

18 THE CLERK: A resolution
19 authorizing the Commissioner of Public
20 Property to execute and deliver to the
21 Redevelopment Authority of the City of
22 Philadelphia deeds to property located in
23 the 32nd Ward of the City of
24 Philadelphia.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

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2 Chair again recognizes Councilman Clarke.

3 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: I move for
4 the adoption.

5 (Duly seconded.)

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
7 has been moved and properly seconded that
8 the 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 Kelly.

19 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Madam
20 President, I offer two resolutions, one
21 which is co-sponsored by Councilman
22 DiCicco, and I would also like to be
23 heard on the non-privileged resolution.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
25 you.

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

4 THE CLERK: A resolution
5 remembering, memorializing, honoring and
6 mourning the 32 people slain at Virginia
7 Tech on April 16, 2007, and authorizing
8 City Council's Committee on Public Safety
9 to hold public hearings to investigate
10 how safe the college campuses in the City
11 of Philadelphia are.

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

14 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Thank you,
15 Madam President. I think that I can
16 speak for everyone in this Council in
17 saying that we are absolutely horrified
18 over the incident in Virginia that took
19 place earlier this week. I would like to
20 express my sincere condolences and
21 sympathy to those families who were
22 affected by this tragedy. Our thoughts
23 and prayers go out to them.

24 I have, as I'm sure most of my
25 colleagues here, have received numerous

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2 phone calls from parents who have
3 children in colleges and universities in
4 Philadelphia. They have a lot of
5 questions and concerns as to their
6 children's safety. As a proud parent who
7 had children in college, I understand
8 their concern. Although I am confident
9 that universities in Philadelphia are
10 working tirelessly to ease and address
11 the concerns of students, parents and
12 professors, I want to in a public,
13 collaborative forum investigate how safe
14 our college campuses are.

15 I think we can learn from these
16 tragic events and I want to do everything
17 possible to improve the safety for all
18 Philadelphia students and faculty. I
19 want to bring all university
20 administrators together to address
21 current concerns and share innovative
22 ideas relating to public safety. I know
23 one university in Philadelphia is
24 currently testing new technology that
25 would allow campus safety officials to

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2 communicate directly with students and
3 vice versa by text messages on their
4 cellular phones. Since today mostly all
5 students have cell phones, this sounds
6 like it could be extremely effective.

7 I am concerned about the
8 well-being of our future leaders, and
9 their parents deserve to have peace of
10 mind while their children are in school.
11 I look forward to discussing all of these
12 issues and ideas in a public hearing.

13 Thank you, Madam President.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
15 you. Would you move for the adoption,
16 please.

17 COUNCILMAN KELLY: I would like
18 to move for the adoption.

19 (Duly seconded.)

20 COUNCILMAN KELLY: I would ask
21 that everyone stand to express our
22 sympathy to those families who have lost
23 loved ones.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: And I
25 would also add that we could also have a

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2 silent prayer at this time for the
3 victims and their families.

4 (Standing moment of silence.)

5 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Thank you,
6 Madam President.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
8 resolution has been adopted.

9 THE CLERK: A resolution
10 recognizing, honoring and celebrating
11 Roman Catholic High School's Varsity
12 Basketball Team for their outstanding
13 2007 basketball season.

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

16 COUNCILMAN KELLY: I move for
17 the adoption.

18 (Duly seconded.)

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

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 resolution is
5 adopted.

6 The Chair recognizes Councilman
7 Rizzo.

8 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Madam
9 President, I have one resolution today
10 co-sponsored by my colleagues
11 Councilwoman Marian Tasco, Councilman
12 Darrell Clarke and all members of City
13 Council.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
15 you.

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

18 THE CLERK: A resolution
19 recognizing, honoring and celebrating
20 Senior Minister Emeritus Reverend William
21 H. Gray, III on his retirement after 35
22 years as Pastor of Bright Hope Baptist
23 Church.

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

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2 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: I move for
3 the adoption of this resolution.

4 (Duly seconded.)

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

8 All in favor will say 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 next order of business is
17 reports from committees, and the Chair
18 recognizes Councilman DiCicco for a
19 report from the Committee on Streets and
20 Services.

21 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Thank you,
22 Madam President. The Committee on
23 Streets and Services reports 16 bills and
24 two resolutions with a favorable
25 recommendation.

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
3 you.

4 The Clerk will please read the
5 report.

6 THE CLERK: To the President
7 and members of the Council of the City of
8 Philadelphia, the Committee on Streets
9 and Services, to which was referred Bill
10 No. 070152, entitled "An ordinance
11 amending Section 9-213 of The
12 Philadelphia Code, entitled 'Farmers
13 Markets,' by adding a permissible
14 location on the sidewalk of the median of
15 the 400 block of South 2nd Street"; and

16 Bill No. 070186, entitled "An
17 ordinance authorizing the trustees of the
18 University of Pennsylvania to construct
19 and maintain a pedestrian bridge over and
20 across Convention Avenue"; and

21 Bill No. 070187, entitled "An
22 ordinance granting permission to Ilker
23 Ugar, owner of the Divan Turkish Kitchen
24 and owner of the property 918 South 22nd
25 Street, to operate and maintain an

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2 open-air sidewalk cafe on the southwest
3 corner of South 22nd and Carpenter
4 Streets"; and

5 Bill No. 070190, entitled "An
6 ordinance granting permission to Nitin
7 Desai, owner and operator of the
8 newsstand located on the northwest corner
9 of 18th Street and Arch Street, to
10 construct, use and maintain conduits for
11 fiberoptic facilities"; and

12 Bill No. 070191, entitled "An
13 ordinance granting permission to Chunho
14 Won, owner and operator of the newsstand
15 located on the southwest corner of 18th
16 Street and Market Street, to construct,
17 use and maintain conduits for fiberoptic
18 facilities"; and

19 Bill No. 070192, entitled "An
20 ordinance granting permission to Asia
21 Alnawasreh, owner and operator of the
22 newsstand located on the southwest corner
23 of Broad Street and Spring Garden Street,
24 to construct, use and maintain conduits
25 for fiberoptic facilities"; and

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2 Bill No. 070201, entitled "An
3 ordinance establishing a no truck parking
4 regulation on Robbins Avenue, between
5 Algard Street and Cottage Street"; and

6 Bill No. 070202, entitled "An
7 ordinance amending Section 12-2708 of The
8 Philadelphia Code, entitled 'Issuance of
9 Temporary Parking Permits,' by adding
10 provisions for temporary parking permits
11 valid for one calendar year"; and

12 Bill No. 070204, entitled "An
13 ordinance granting permission to Alfredo
14 Aguilar, owner of the property 426
15 through 28 West Girard Avenue, doing
16 business as Las Casuelas Cafe, to operate
17 and maintain an open-air sidewalk cafe";
18 and

19 Bill No. 070224, entitled "An
20 ordinance authorizing and directing the
21 revision of lines and grades on a portion
22 of City Plan No. 305 by placing on the
23 City Plan Edgemont Street from Juniata
24 Street to Berkshire Street"; and

25 Bill No. 070225, entitled "An

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2 ordinance authorizing and directing the
3 revision of lines and grades on a portion
4 of City Plan No. 187 by striking from the
5 City Plan and vacating the legally opened
6 portion of Belgrade Street from Butler
7 Street to Wheatsheaf Lane"; and

8 Bill No. 070226, entitled "An
9 ordinance authorizing Kevin Alsbrook,
10 owner of Bazini's Cafe and the property
11 at 1800 Lindley Avenue, his successors
12 and assigns, to legalize an existing deck
13 encroachment"; and

14 Bill No. 070227, entitled "An
15 ordinance amending Section 9-204 of The
16 Philadelphia Code, entitled 'Sidewalk
17 Vendors in Center City,' by prohibiting
18 vendors within 15 feet of any emergency
19 egress"; and

20 Bill No. 070231, entitled "An
21 ordinance authorizing East Falls
22 Development Corporation, owner of the
23 property at 3800 Midvale Avenue, for the
24 installation of a gateway entrance sign
25 for the East Falls community"; and

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2 Bill No. 070235, entitled "An
3 ordinance authorizing and directing the
4 revision of lines and grades on a portion
5 of City Plan No. 63 by striking from the
6 City Plan and vacating Carlton Street
7 from 20th Street eastwardly approximately
8 98 feet 4 inches to a dead end"; and

9 Bill No. 070237, entitled "An
10 ordinance authorizing Liberty Property
11 Trust Philadelphia Limited Partnership
12 IV, owner of the Comcast Center at 1701
13 John F. Kennedy Boulevard, for the
14 placement of raised planters on John F.
15 Kennedy Boulevard"; and

16 Resolution 070132, entitled "A
17 resolution also naming Broad Street from
18 Diamond Street to York Street 'Georgie
19 Woods Boulevard'"; and

20 Resolution 070133, entitled "A
21 resolution also naming Diamond Street
22 from 16th Street through 19th Street
23 'Father Paul Washington Avenue, '"
24 respectfully reports it has considered
25 and amended the same and returns the

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2 attached bills and resolutions to Council
3 with a favorable recommendation.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
5 you.

6 The Chair recognizes Councilman
7 DiCicco.

8 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Thank you,
9 Madam President. I move that the rules
10 of Council be suspended so as to permit
11 first reading this day of Bill Nos.
12 070152, 070186 and 070202.

13 (Duly seconded.)

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
15 has been moved and properly seconded that
16 the rules of Council be suspended so as
17 to permit first reading this day of Bill
18 Nos. 070152, 070186 and 070202.

19 All in favor will indicate by
20 saying aye.

21 (Aye.)

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
23 opposed?

24 (No response.)

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

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2 ayes have it and the bills just read will
3 be placed on our First Reading Calendar
4 for today. All remaining bills read by
5 the Clerk will be placed on our First
6 Reading Calendar for our next session of
7 Council. Resolution Nos. 070132 and
8 070133 will be considered at the end of
9 today's Calendar.

10 The next order of business is
11 consideration of the Calendar, and the
12 Chair recognizes the Clerk to please read
13 the bills on the First Reading Calendar.

14 THE CLERK: Bill No. 070152,
15 entitled "An ordinance amending Section
16 9-213 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled
17 'Farmers Markets,' by adding a
18 permissible location on the sidewalk of
19 the median of the 400 block of South 2nd
20 Street."

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
22 Chair agrees.

23 THE CLERK: And Bill No.
24 070186, entitled "An ordinance
25 authorizing the trustees of the

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2 University of Pennsylvania, 3400 Spruce
3 Street, Philadelphia, PA, to construct
4 and maintain a pedestrian bridge over and
5 across Convention Avenue.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
7 Chair agrees.

8 THE CLERK: And Bill No.
9 070202, entitled "An ordinance amending
10 Section 12-2708 of The Philadelphia Code,
11 entitled 'Issue of Temporary Parking
12 Permits,' by adding provisions for
13 temporary parking permits valid for one
14 calendar day, all under certain terms and
15 conditions."

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
17 Chair agrees.

18 That completes our First
19 Reading Calendar.

20 The Chair recognizes
21 Councilwoman Blackwell for the purpose of
22 calling up bills on the Second Reading
23 and Final Passage Calendar to be
24 considered today.

25 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank

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2 you, Madam President. Today our Calendar
3 is on our last page, Page 8. Bill No.
4 060226 will be amended. The next bill
5 we'll hear is Bill No. 070009, and,
6 finally, Bill No. 070149 will be amended.
7 All other bills will be held.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
9 you.

10 The Clerk will please read the
11 title of Bill No. 060226.

12 THE CLERK: An ordinance
13 amending Title 17 of The Philadelphia
14 Code, entitled "Contracts and
15 Procurement," by adding a Chapter
16 providing for the development of and
17 setting forth provisions relating to
18 Economic Opportunity Plans in connection
19 with certain City contracts and projects.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
21 Chair recognizes Councilman Clarke.

22 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Thank you,
23 Madam President. Madam President, I want
24 to offer an amendment to this bill. In
25 earlier discussions in the public

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2 hearing, there were some concerns about
3 some of the language with respect to any
4 availability of contractors to fill some
5 of these positions. The intent of the
6 bill is essentially to require that any
7 City contracts over a certain threshold
8 must submit an Equal Opportunity Plan;
9 therefore, ensuring that there is some
10 level of diversity in all contracts that
11 are passed through Council.

12 We have changed the language on
13 Page 3. We talk about any project that
14 requires a loss of federal funds, we
15 potentially could give a waiver; if
16 there's no availability; three, if it is
17 against the law. Other than that, we are
18 requiring that all contracts have an
19 Equal Opportunity Plan attached prior to
20 its passage by Council and subsequent
21 signing by the Mayor.

22 So I would like to offer an
23 amendment at this point to Bill No.
24 060226.

25 (Duly seconded.)

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna:

3 Councilman Clarke, have copies of the
4 amendments been circulated?

5 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Yes, Madam
6 President.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank
8 you.

9 The Chair recognizes Councilman
10 Goode.

11 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you,
12 Madam President. I would like to, in a
13 very friendly way, interrogate the
14 sponsor.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: I beg
16 your pardon?

17 COUNCILMAN GOODE: I would like
18 to, in a very friendly way, interrogate
19 the sponsor.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Okay.

21 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Councilman
22 Clarke --

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna:
24 Councilman Clarke, do you have any
25 objection?

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2 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: If it's
3 friendly, I have no objection.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Okay.
5 You hope.

6 COUNCILMAN GOODE: It's
7 extremely friendly.

8 I happen to have chaired the
9 Committee hearing on this bill. Within
10 that hearing there were objections not
11 only by several witnesses but by myself
12 to the waiver and exemption language. I
13 was told that language was going to be
14 removed, and it was removed in the
15 hearing and the bill was voted out of the
16 Committee unanimously.

17 Subsequently I was told that
18 language would be put back in that dealt
19 with the loss of federal or state funds
20 with regard to waivers, exemptions that
21 needed to happen, but what I objected to
22 the most was the fact that there was a
23 provision in there, which is still here,
24 that says basically that MBEC can certify
25 whoever they want to receive an exemption

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2 based upon however they feel, and what
3 that says to me is essentially MBEC can,
4 on any project, offer an exemption and
5 say that there should be zero
6 participation by minority, women and
7 disabled businesses.

8 I don't believe there's any
9 project that exists where there should be
10 zero percent participation, nor should we
11 say that MBEC should have that authority
12 to offer such a waiver or exemption.

13 So I can't vote for this
14 amendment. I would like the sponsor to
15 explain just that provision. I
16 understand the other provisions that
17 relate to the loss of federal and state
18 funds. I do not agree with or understand
19 giving MBEC that type of authority to
20 offer that type of exemption.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:
22 Councilman Clarke.

23 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: The issue
24 with respect to availability, it must be
25 certified that there is no availability

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2 of a particular trade or professional
3 service prior to MBEC certification.

4 COUNCILMAN GOODE: If that is
5 an exemption of a prime contractor, there
6 is no prime contractor that can
7 participate. It has nothing to do with
8 an Economic Opportunity Plan where there
9 would be availability for subcontract
10 work for minority, women, disabled
11 businesses --

12 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: I'm sorry,
13 Councilman. I didn't hear the last part.
14 I didn't hear the last two sentences.

15 COUNCILMAN GOODE: I don't
16 believe that there's any situation where
17 there are no subcontractor opportunities
18 for minority, women, disabled businesses.
19 There may not be an opportunity in the
20 marketplace for minority, women or
21 disabled businesses to serve as a prime
22 contractor, but there should always be an
23 Economic Opportunity Plan required that
24 says there should be some participation
25 outlined for minority, women, disabled

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2 businesses, and we should force every
3 single contractor to come up with some
4 plan to search out participation at least
5 at the subcontract level.

6 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: I agree
7 that there is probably no instance where
8 there cannot be a subcontractor, so,
9 therefore, if that's the case, then I
10 don't think this will be relevant. It
11 would only happen in the event that there
12 is no availability.

13 COUNCILMAN GOODE: It becomes
14 relevant when MBEC offers an exemption,
15 as they've done in the past because they
16 haven't done their due diligence. One of
17 the things that was brought up in that
18 hearing is the fact that MBEC within its
19 database only has about 1,300
20 disadvantaged business, and there are
21 about 15,000 in the City. Therefore, if
22 they can't find it within their database
23 of 1,300, it should not exclude the other
24 14,000 disadvantaged businesses in the
25 City. We should force contractors that

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2 are receiving contracts to search out
3 economic opportunities at the subcontract
4 level and go beyond what MBEC says.

5 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Councilman,
6 somebody just said that it didn't sound
7 friendly to me.

8 Councilman, as I said in the
9 earlier hearing, when I held the bill --

10 COUNCILMAN GOODE: It's
11 friendly towards you. It's not friendly
12 toward MBEC.

13 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: I
14 understand. I'm okay. Given what's been
15 going on the last couple of months, my
16 skin is so thick, it's scary.

17 No. Councilman, as I said
18 earlier, we didn't want to pass anything
19 that people -- I know you had an issue
20 with respect to giving waivers and some
21 of the people that testified. So if
22 there is that much concern from you as it
23 relates to this particular provision, I
24 don't have a problem with ensuring that
25 we get some concurrence on that provision

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2 before the bill is passed. What I would
3 like to do, though, is to move this
4 amendment today and have a discussion
5 with you. I mean, although this is an
6 extremely important issue, it's not time
7 sensitive to the point where it has to go
8 next week. So I'd be more than willing
9 to proceed with any discussion for
10 further amendment.

11 COUNCILMAN GOODE: That's
12 perfectly fine with me. Thank you,
13 Councilman.

14 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Thank you.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Now,
16 that was friendly enough, sir.

17 Councilman Clarke, would you
18 like to make a motion?

19 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Yes. With
20 the understanding -- let me go on the
21 record. With the understanding that
22 there may be an additional amendment to
23 get some clarity on that aspect of any
24 waiver position, I would like to offer
25 this particular amendment at this point

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2 to Bill No. 060226.
3 (Duly seconded.)
4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
5 has been moved and properly seconded that
6 the amendment be adopted.
7 All in favor will say aye.
8 (Aye.)
9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
10 opposed?
11 (No response.)
12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
13 ayes have it and the amendment is
14 adopted.
15 The Clerk will now read Bill
16 No. 070009.
17 THE CLERK: An ordinance to
18 amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by
19 changing the zoning designations of
20 certain areas of land located within an
21 area bounded by Reed Street, Tasker
22 Street extended, Christopher Columbus
23 Boulevard and the Delaware River.
24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This
25 bill having been read on two different

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2 days, the question now is shall the bill
3 pass finally.
4 The Clerk will please call the
5 roll.
6 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
7 Blackwell.
8 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.
9 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
10 Campbell.
11 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: No.
12 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke.
13 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.
14 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco.
15 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.
16 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode.
17 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
18 THE CLERK: Councilman
19 Greenlee.
20 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Aye.
21 THE CLERK: Councilman Kelly.
22 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.
23 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney.
24 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
25 THE CLERK: Councilwoman

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2 Krajewski.
3 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
4 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
5 Miller.
6 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
7 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill.
8 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
9 THE CLERK: Councilman Ramos.
10 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: No.
11 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
12 Reynolds Brown.
13 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.
14 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.
15 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
16 THE CLERK: Councilman Savage.
17 COUNCILMAN SAVAGE: No. Nay.
18 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco.
19 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
20 THE CLERK: Council President
21 Verna.
22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
23 The ayes are 14; the nays are three. A
24 majority of all members having voted in
25 the affirmative, the bill passes.

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2 The Clerk will please read the
3 title of Bill No. 070149.

4 THE CLERK: An ordinance
5 amending Title 4 of The Philadelphia
6 Code, entitled "The Philadelphia Building
7 Construction and Occupancy Code," by
8 requiring that any advertisement or
9 correspondence pertaining to the rental
10 of residential property shall include the
11 housing inspection license number for
12 such property.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
14 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Krajewski.

15 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Thank
16 you, Madam President. I offer one
17 amendment that has been circulated to all
18 members.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank
20 you.

21 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: I move
22 the adoption of the amendment.

23 (Duly seconded.)

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It
25 has been moved and properly seconded that

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2 the amendment be adopted.

3 All in favor will please say

4 aye.

5 (Aye.)

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those

7 opposed?

8 (No response.)

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

10 ayes have it and the amendment is

11 adopted.

12 Would we please make certain

13 that the stenographer has copies of the

14 amendments that have been introduced

15 today.

16 Okay. That concludes our

17 Calendar. Oh, no. I'm sorry. We now

18 have to consider Resolution No. 070132.

19 I would ask the Clerk to please

20 read the title of the resolution.

21 THE CLERK: A resolution also

22 naming Broad Street from Diamond Street

23 to York street "Georgie Woods Boulevard."

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

25 Chair recognize Councilman Clarke.

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2 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Thank you.

3 I move for the adoption.

4 (Duly seconded.)

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

8 All in favor will say 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 We will now consider Resolution
17 No. 070133. I would ask the Clerk to
18 please read the title of the resolution.

19 THE CLERK: A resolution also
20 naming Diamond Street from 16th Street
21 through 19th Street "Father Paul
22 Washington Avenue."

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

25 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: I move the

1 4/19/07 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 adoption.

3 (Duly seconded.)

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

7 All in favor will signify by
8 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 That concludes our Calendar for
17 today.

18 Are there speeches on the part
19 of the minority?

20 (No response.)

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Are
22 there speeches on the part of the
23 majority?

24 (No response.)

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna:

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2 Seeing no one, the Chair recognizes
3 Councilwoman Tasco for a motion to
4 adjourn.

5 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Madam
6 President, I move that Council stand
7 adjourned until Thursday, April 26th at
8 10:00 a.m.

9 (Duly seconded.)

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: All
11 in favor will say aye.

12 (Aye.)

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
14 opposed?

15 (No response.)

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
17 ayes have it and Council will stand
18 adjourned until Thursday, April the 26th
19 at 10:00 a.m.

20 Thank you all very much.

21 (Stated Meeting adjourned at
22 11:05 a.m.)

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