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COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA

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Room 401, City Hall
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Thursday, May 6, 1999
10:15 a.m.

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10 PRESENT:

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT ANNA C. VERNA

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COUNCILWOMAN AUGUSTA A. CLARK

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COUNCILWOMAN JANNIE BLACKWELL

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COUNCILMAN DAVID COHEN

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COUNCILMAN FRANK DI CICCO

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COUNCILMAN JAMES F. KENNEY

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COUNCILWOMAN JOAN L. KRAJEWSKI

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COUNCILMAN W. THACHER LONGSTRETH

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COUNCILMAN RICHARD T. MARIANO

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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 ANGEL L. ORTIZ

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COUNCILMAN FRANK RIZZO

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COUNCILWOMAN MARIAN B. TASCO

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MARIE B. HAUSER, CHIEF CLERK

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Good morning.

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

7 To give our invocation this morning, the
8 Chair welcomes Reverend Arthur Johnson, Jr., who is
9 the pastor of the Tacony Baptist Church. He is the
10 guest of Councilwoman Krajewski. Members and guests
11 will please rise.

12 REVEREND JOHNSON: Good morning,
13 everyone. Councilwoman Krajewski has asked me if I
14 would sing a song this morning, and I'm going to ask
15 you to please bear with me. The song that I would
16 like to attempt to sing is "He Touched Me." Thank
17 you.

18 (Reverend Johnson sings.)

19 REVEREND JOHNSON: Gracious God, our
20 Heavenly Father, we come humbly approaching your
21 throne of grace in the Council Chambers of the great
22 metropolis of Philadelphia. We thank you and praise
23 you for the opportunity to speak before those of
24 your servants who are here to govern the City, to
25 make the laws, and to do the job that you have

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2 called upon them to do. We ask humbly that you
3 would touch them, that you would strengthen them.
4 Give them the ability to choose what is right over
5 what is wrong. Let them to lay selfishness down and
6 to pick up the gavel of servanthood that the job
7 that they do may long be remembered, that it would
8 help all, that it would lift up the downcast and
9 those who are discouraged, that those who are
10 without hope may be given hope, and that we see the
11 hand of God working here in this great Council Room
12 and among these great people. We thank you, we
13 praise you because you're God and you're able to do
14 anything but fail. Uplift and undergird. Be with
15 this group. And as the laws are enacted and as the
16 bills are passed and as the work of governing the
17 City is undertaken, bless each and every heart and
18 bless those constituents from which these leaders
19 are sent. And, Lord, we give you the praise, the
20 glory, and the honor. Bless the President of the
21 Council, Lord, and be with her as she undertakes to
22 do her job. And may her weight be felt for good
23 among those who are under her charge. In Jesus'
24 name we pray. Amen. Thank you.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair

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2 thanks Reverend Johnson.

3 (Council at ease.)

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5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The next order
6 of business the approval of the Journal of April 29,
7 1999. The Chair recognizes Councilman Kenney.

8 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Madam Chair, I move
9 the Journal be approved.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Is there a
11 second?

12 (Duly seconded.)

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It has been
14 moved and properly seconded that the Journal of the
15 meeting of Thursday, April 29, 1999 stands approved.

16 All in favor will signify by saying aye.

17 Those opposed?

18 The ayes have it; the motion carries.

19 The Journal of Thursday, April 29, 1999 is approved.

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21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
22 recognizes Councilman O'Neill for the purpose of
23 request for leaves of absence.

24 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Madam Chair, there
25 is no request for leaves of absence by the

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2 Republicans.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
4 thanks the Councilman.

5 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
6 Blackwell.

7 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Madam
8 President, there are no requests for leaves of
9 absence on the part of the majority.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

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12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair will
13 dispense of the regular order of business to
14 recognize the guests and visitors joining us in
15 Chambers this morning. On behalf of all Members of
16 City Council, I welcome you to our Council Session
17 this morning. We appreciate your taking the time to
18 join us as we attend to the legislative affairs of
19 our City. We welcome you to come back again.

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21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: This morning
22 Council is honoring James A. McIntosh, Special
23 Agent. I invite Councilwoman Tasco to come and make
24 this presentation. I would ask Mr. McIntosh and his
25 dad to join Councilwoman Tasco.

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2 COUNCILWOMAN TASCOT: Thank you, Madam
3 President. It gives me a lot of pleasure this
4 morning to present this citation to a very good
5 friend of mine and recognizing James A. McIntosh,
6 Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation.

7 Whereas, James A. McIntosh, a native
8 Philadelphian, born and raised in the Holmesburg
9 section of the City, who grew up in Holmesburg Mount
10 Zion Baptist Church and attended Abraham Lincoln
11 High School, has returned to his hometown a hero.

12 Whereas, James McIntosh obtained an
13 undergraduate degree from Villanova University and
14 continue graduate studies in English while
15 lecturing in the Department of English from which he
16 was recruited by the Federal Bureau of Investigation
17 entering into the service in July of 1970 as a
18 special agent.

19 And, whereas, Special Agent McIntosh has
20 served in Detroit, New York, and Philadelphia as an
21 investigative field agent and has handled numerous
22 diverse and multifaceted investigations dealing with
23 bank robbery, kidnapping, espionage, carjacking,
24 civil rights matters, organized crime, White House
25 inquiries, as well as many undercover assignments.

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2 And, whereas, James McIntosh was
3 selected in 1977 to be a field counselor at the
4 prestigious and world-renown FBI Law Enforcement
5 Institute, the National Academy graduating from the
6 11-week program of academic and physical training at
7 Quantico, Virginia, with distinction.

8 And, whereas, while on assignment in New
9 York City in 1998, Special Agent McIntosh earned the
10 highest medal awarded by the Federal Bureau of
11 Investigation to a member of the service for
12 exceptional acts of heroism and valor in the line of
13 duty.

14 And, whereas, Special Agent McIntosh
15 risked his life in apprehending and subduing a
16 wanted top-10 fugitive when the fugitive opened fire
17 on him and his partner. Without the benefit of
18 cover, Mr. McIntosh returned fire and brought the
19 individual down.

20 And now, therefore, resolved that the
21 Council of the City of Philadelphia recognize,
22 honor, and commend James A. McIntosh, Special Agent,
23 Federal Bureau of Investigation for his
24 extraordinary career of dedication and commitment to
25 law enforcement, and congratulate him on the honors

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2 conferred on him by the Federal Bureau of
3 Investigation.

4 Resolved further that an engrossed copy
5 of this resolution be presented to Special Agent
6 James A. McIntosh for his contribution to diversity
7 in the Federal Bureau of Investigation as an
8 expression of the gratitude of this legislative body
9 for his outstanding performance and accomplishments
10 and special tribute that he has brought to
11 Philadelphia.

12 Certification that this is a true and
13 correct copy of the original resolution adopted by
14 the Council of the City of Philadelphia on the 25th
15 day of March 1999. It is signed by President Anna
16 C. Verna, introduced by Marian B. Tasco and
17 supported by all Members of City Council.

18 Congratulations to you, Jim.

19 (Applause.)

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
21 recognizes Special Agent McIntosh for remarks.

22 MR. MC INTOSH: Madam President,
23 Councilwoman Marian Tasco, Distinguished Members of
24 City Council, it's humbling as well as gratifying to
25 receive such an honor and this recognition. What

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2 makes it especially wonderful is the very fact that
3 this is special because it's home. Being born and
4 raised in Philadelphia, I know that every time I
5 think about the dreams and aspirations that I had,
6 little did I realize and understand or for that much
7 ever think that I would be here.

8 I'd like to also recognize with me is my
9 dad. My dad is 87 years old and is in better shape
10 than I. I have to keep up with him. He's been with
11 me from every little league game and every little
12 award, high school, boy scouts, college, and I had
13 him with me when I received the Medal of Valor from
14 Louis Freeh, director of the FBI, whereupon I
15 presented that award to him to let him know that he
16 has always been my hero.

17 Along also with my dad are two very,
18 very close friends: Bill Shwerzy (ph) who stands
19 behind you. He and I grew up together. We've
20 known each other since the age of eight years old.
21 That's when Pennypack Park were all the seven
22 continents of the world. And I believe some of our
23 little holes that we dug in that place are probably
24 still there. Billy's always been a friend, a true
25 friend, and I love him like a brother. Also a

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2 former colleague of yours George Braile (ph) who
3 stands behind me. Always I stand behind him.
4 George has always been with me to help me traverse
5 the treacherous pathways of life. He's a dear and
6 true friend and I love him dearly as well as I also
7 love Billy. And it just makes it even more
8 important that these two are here.

9 I want to thank also Councilwoman Marian
10 Tasco in particular because your love, your
11 friendship, your sincerity, your trustworthiness has
12 always been a stead for my life, and I appreciate
13 this.

14 Lastly, I would be remiss if I didn't
15 mention the person who really means very, very much
16 to me in life and is my ailing mother. She is with
17 disease. She has Alzheimer's. They're calling
18 mental dementia, but I call it Alzheimer's. With
19 this Mother's Day weekend approaching, I know that
20 she would be here with me if she could. I know
21 sometime, I don't know, maybe about three or four
22 years ago, that's when her mind started to leave and
23 so were all the memories. But I remember. It was
24 her tireless spirit that drove me to do the things
25 that I've been able to do in my life. She was the

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2 one who provided that inspiration, that gave me the
3 self-confidence and the self-esteem to move on when
4 I really thought things were basically bleak. I
5 love you, Mom. You would be here. I dedicate this
6 recognition to you and I dedicate basically all of
7 the fine work that any mother's done to any son and
8 I say this today.

9 Once again, Council, thank you very much
10 for allowing me to take up your precious and most
11 valuable time. God bless you.

12 (Applause.)

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

15 (Council at ease.)

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17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The next order
18 of business is communications. The Chair recognizes
19 the Sergeant-at-Arms for the purposes of delivering
20 the messages from the Mayor to the Chief Clerk.

21 The Chief Clerk will read the messages
22 from the Mayor.

23 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: April 23, 1999, to
24 the President and Members of the Council of the City
25 of Philadelphia, I am pleased to advise you that I

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2 have today signed the following bills which were
3 passed by Council on April 15th, Bill Nos. 990057,
4 990058, 990079, 990080, 990081, 990112, and 990113.

5 And an ordinance authorizing transfers
6 and appropriations for fiscal year 2000 within the
7 Grants Revenue Fund from the Director of Finance
8 provision for other grants to the District Attorney.

9 An ordinance amending an ordinance
10 approved May 9, 1997, Bill No. 970168, which
11 authorize the City to sell certain delinquent real
12 estate tax claims identified on Exhibit A to the
13 ordinance to the Philadelphia Authority for
14 Industrial Development by adding Exhibit A, certain
15 1998 delinquent real estate tax claims which affect
16 the same properties affected by the tax claims sold
17 to PAID for the sole purpose of allowing the
18 additional claims to be available for substitution
19 for sold claims pursuant to the terms of the June
20 30, 1997 tax claim purchase and sales agreement
21 between the City and PAID.

22 An ordinance authorizing the Director of
23 Commerce and the Director of Finance on behalf of
24 the City of Philadelphia to execute further
25 amendments to the contract for parking services and

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2 accompany lease agreement both with the Philadelphia
3 Parking Authority dated October 1, 1974, as amended,
4 which amendments revise the description of a leased
5 property by the addition of premises to provide for
6 additional parking and related facilities at the
7 Philadelphia International Airport.

8 And an ordinance to amend the
9 Philadelphia zoning maps by changing the zoning
10 designations of certain areas of land located within
11 an area bounded by 52nd Street, Paxton Street, Leidy
12 Avenue, Parkside Avenue, Belmont Avenue, Gerard
13 Avenue, and Marion Avenue.

14 An ordinance authorizing the Commission
15 of Public Property on behalf of the City of
16 Philadelphia to enter a sublease agreement with the
17 Philadelphia Authority for Industrial Development
18 for use by the City and affiliated agencies of
19 office space located at 990 Spring Garden Street,
20 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, under and being subject
21 to certain terms and conditions.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The messages
23 will be printed in the Journal.

24 The Chief Clerk will read any other
25 communications in her possession.

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2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: I have none, Madam
3 President.

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5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: There being
6 none, the next order of business is introduction of
7 bills and resolutions. The Chair recognizes
8 Councilwoman Clark for a motion.

9 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Madam Chair, I move
10 that all resolutions be considered at the time of
11 there introduction.

12 (Duly seconded.)

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It has been
14 duly seconded that all resolutions be considered
15 immediately upon introduction.

16 All in favor will signify by saying aye.

17 Those opposed?

18 The ayes have it. The motion is
19 carried.

20 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Clark.

21 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Madam Chair, I have
22 two bills to benefit the 5th District.

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

25 The Clerk will please read the title of

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2 the bill.

3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
4 authorizing the revision of lines and grades on a
5 portion of City Plan No. 120 by striking from the
6 City Plan and vacating Carlisle Street from Oxford
7 Street to Cecil B. Moore Avenue and by reserving and
8 placing on the City Plan a right-of-way for drainage
9 purposes, water main purposes, gas main purposes,
10 and public utility purposes within the lines of
11 Carlisle Street being stricken from the City Plan
12 and vacated under authority of this ordinance, under
13 certain terms and conditions.

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

16 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
17 authorizing the revision of lines and grades on a
18 portion of City Plan No. 120 by striking from the
19 City Plan and vacating Charswood Street from 22nd
20 Street to 23rd Street by striking from the City Plan
21 and vacating Harlan Street from 22nd Street to 23rd
22 Street and by reserving and placing on a City Plan a
23 certain right-of-way for gas main purposes.

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

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2 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
3 Blackwell.

4 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Madam
5 President, I have no bills or resolutions today.

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

8 The Chair recognizes Councilman Cohen.

9 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Madam President, I
10 have no bills or resolutions.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.
12 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Krajewski.

13 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Madam
14 President, I have three bills and one resolution.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: I'm sorry, did
16 you say three bills, Councilwoman?

17 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Yes.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chief
19 Clerk will please read the title of the first bill.

20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
21 authorizing the vacating of Walker Street from
22 Pearson Avenue to a dead-end approximately 108 feet
23 northeast of Pearson Avenue, under certain terms and
24 conditions.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The bill will

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2 be referred to the appropriate committee.

3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
4 authorizing transfers in appropriations for fiscal
5 year 2000 within the Grants Revenue Fund from the
6 Director of Finance provision for other grants to
7 the District Attorney.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERA: The bill will
9 be referred to the appropriate committee.

10 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
11 authorizing Robin and Joseph West, owners of the
12 property 3100 Brighton Street, Philadelphia,
13 Pennsylvania, to construct and maintain an
14 above-ground pool and fence on and within the
15 unimproved portion of the public right-of-way of
16 Hawthorne Street.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERA: The bill will
18 be referred to the appropriate commission.

19 The Clerk will please read the title of
20 the resolution.

21 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
22 approving the redevelopment contract in disposition
23 supplement of the Redevelopment Authority of the
24 City of Philadelphia for the redevelopment and urban
25 renewal of a portion of the East Venango Industrial

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2 Urban Renewal Area consisting of two parcels,
3 respectfully designated as Parcel Nos. 5A and 5B,
4 beginning at a point on the northwesterly side of
5 Victoria Street at a distance 254 street, more or
6 less from the intersection of Bath Street and
7 Victoria Street.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
9 recognizes Councilwoman Krajewski.

10 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Move for
11 adoption of the resolution.

12 (Duly seconded.)

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

16 All in favor signify by saying aye.

17 Those opposed?

18 The ayes have it. The motion is
19 carried.

20 The Chair recognizes Councilman Mariano.

21 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: No bills or
22 resolutions today, Madam President.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
24 thanks the Councilman.

25 The Chair recognizes Councilman Kenney.

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2 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you, Madam
3 President. On your behalf I offer one bill.

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

6 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
7 authorizing the Director of Commerce and the
8 Director of Finance on behalf of the City to execute
9 further amendments to the contract for parking
10 services and the accompanying lease agreement both
11 with the Philadelphia Parking Authority, dated
12 October 1, 1974, as amended, which amendments revise
13 the description of the lease property by the
14 addition of premises to provide for additional
15 parking and related facilities at the Philadelphia
16 International Airport.

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

19 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
20 Miller.

21 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Thank you, Madam
22 President. I offer no bills or resolutions today.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

24 The Chair recognizes Councilman Nutter.

25 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Thank you, Madam

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2 President. I offer one bill.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chief
4 Clerk will please read the title of the bill.

5 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance to
6 amend the Philadelphia zoning maps by changing the
7 zoning designations of certain areas of land located
8 within an area bounded by 52nd Street, Paxton
9 Street, Leidy Avenue, Parkside Avenue, Belmont
10 Avenue, Gerard Avenue, and Marion Avenue.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The bill will
12 be referred to the appropriate committee.

13 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Tasco.

14 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: Madam President, I
15 offer one resolution.

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

18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
19 declaring May 29th through the 31st, 1999, Cherokee
20 Heritage Weekend.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
22 recognizes Councilwoman Tasco.

23 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: I move for the
24 adoption of the resolution.

25 (Duly seconded.)

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: All those in
3 favor the adoption of the resolution will signify by
4 saying aye.

5 Those opposed?

6 The ayes have it. The motion is
7 carried.

8 The Chair recognizes Councilman Ortiz.

9 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Madam President, I
10 have no bills or resolutions.

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

13 COUNCILMAN DI CICC0: Thank you, Madam
14 President. I offer one resolution and three bills.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Clerk will
16 please read the title of the first bill.

17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
18 amending Chapter 9-200 of the Philadelphia Code
19 entitled commercial activities on streets by
20 creating a new section 9-211 entitled boxes for the
21 distribution of printed material regulating the
22 maintenance, specifications, and placement of such
23 boxes on the public sidewalk under certain terms and
24 conditions.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The bill will

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2 be referred to the appropriate committee.

3 The Clerk will please read the title of
4 the second bill.

5 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
6 authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property
7 authorizing the City of Philadelphia to enter into a
8 sublease agreement with the Philadelphia Authority
9 for Industrial Development for the use by the City
10 and affiliate agencies of office space located at
11 990 Spring Garden Street, Philadelphia,
12 Pennsylvania.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The bill will
14 be referred to appropriate committee.

15 The Chief Clerk will please read the
16 third bill.

17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
18 granting permission to Steve Miller, owner of the
19 newsstand located on the northeast corner of Juniper
20 and Market Streets to construct, use, and maintain
21 an electrical conduit and service line and a
22 fiberoptic conduit and telephone service line in at
23 Juniper and Market Streets for the purpose of
24 supplying electrical service and telephone service
25 to his newsstand, under certain terms and

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2 conditions.

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

5 The Chief Clerk will please read the
6 title of the resolution.

7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
8 authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to
9 execute and deliver to the Redevelopment Authority
10 of the City of Philadelphia deeds for properties
11 situate in the 31st and 33rd Wards of the City of
12 Philadelphia.

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

15 COUNCILMAN DI CICC0: Move for the
16 adoption of the resolution.

17 (Duly seconded.)

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It has been
19 duly seconded. All in favor will signify by saying
20 aye.

21 Those opposed.

22 The ayes have it. The motion carries.

23 The Chair recognizes Councilman O'Neill.

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

1 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE

2 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: I move that bill
3 No. 990181 be reported out of this Committee with a
4 favorable recommendation.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chief will
6 please read the report.

7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: To the President
8 and Members of the Council of the City of
9 Philadelphia, the Committee of the Whole Council to
10 which was referred Bill No. 990181, entitled an
11 ordinance amending Title 21 of the Philadelphia
12 Code entitled "Miscellaneous" by adding a chapter
13 21-1400 entitled, "Tax Increment Financing
14 Districts," and providing for certain reporting
15 requirements, respectfully reports it has considered
16 the same and returned to attached bill to Council
17 with a favorable recommendation.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Bill 990181
19 will be placed on our First Reading Calendar for our
20 next meeting.

21 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Clark.

22 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Madam Chair, I move
23 that the following resolutions be adopted:
24 Resolution No. 980933 -- shall we do them
25 individually?

1 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE

2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Yes. I
3 believe there is one resolution to be withdrawn.

4 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: And I was going to
5 address it separately. We report out these
6 resolutions, 980933 --

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
8 recognizes Councilman Di Cicco.

9 COUNCILMAN DI CICCÒ: On the resolution
10 that Councilwoman Clark read to be withdrawn, I was
11 informed yesterday by the candidate and the South
12 Street Head House District that they ask that we
13 reconsider the withdrawing of that resolution and
14 allow that resolution to go forward. And I
15 apologize for not informing Councilwoman Clark
16 sooner.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: I think we
18 will send that back to committee because it did not
19 have a public hearing. So we will not withdraw
20 that.

21 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Clark.

22 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Madam Chair, we
23 report out Resolution 980935 -- these are all
24 appointees to special service districts. Shall I
25 read all the rest of them?

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: No. We should
3 consider them individually.

4 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: All right. So this
5 is 933.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Clerk will
7 please read the title of the Resolution No. 980933.

8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
9 appointing Bernadette Bescia to the Board of
10 Directors of the South Street Head House District of
11 Philadelphia.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
13 recognizes Councilwoman Clark.

14 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: I move the adoption
15 of the resolution.

16 (Duly seconded.)

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: All those in
18 favor signify by saying aye.

19 Those opposed?

20 The ayes have it. Bill No. 980933 has
21 been approved.

22 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Clark.

23 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: The Committee
24 reports out with a favorable recommendation
25 Resolution No. 980935.

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Clerk will
3 please read the title of the resolution.

4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
5 appointing Bernice Hamel to the Board of Directors
6 of the South Street Head House District of
7 Philadelphia.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
9 recognizes Councilwoman Clark.

10 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: I move the adoption
11 of the resolution.

12 (Duly seconded.)

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It has been
14 moved and properly second that Resolution No. 980935
15 be approved.

16 All in favor of the adoption will say
17 aye.

18 Those opposed?

19 The ayes have it. Resolution 980935 has
20 been adopted.

21 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Clark.

22 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Madam Chair, the
23 Committee reports out with a favorable
24 recommendation Resolution No. 980936.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Clerk will

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2 please read the title of the resolution.

3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
4 appointing Steve Giannascoli to the Board of
5 Directors of the South Street Head House District of
6 Philadelphia.7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
8 recognizes Councilwoman Clark.9 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: I move the adoption
10 of the resolution.

11 (Duly seconded.)

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It has been
13 moved and properly seconded that resolution No.
14 980936 stands approved.

15 All in favor will signify by saying aye.

16 Those opposed?

17 The ayes have it. The motion carries.

18 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Clark.

19 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Madam Chair, the
20 Committee of Whole reports out with a favorable
21 recommendation Resolution No. 980937.22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Clerk will
23 please read the title of the resolution.24 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
25 appointing Fran Holtzin to the Board of Directors of

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2 the South Street Head House District of
3 Philadelphia.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
5 recognizes Councilwoman Clark.

6 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: I move for the
7 adoption.

8 (Duly seconded.)

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Has been moved
10 and properly seconded that Resolution No. 980937
11 stands approved.

12 All in favor will signify by saying aye.

13 Those opposed?

14 The ayes have it. And resolution 980937
15 has been approved.

16 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Clark.

17 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Madam Chair, the
18 Committee of the Whole reports out Resolution No.
19 980938 with a favorable recommendation.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Clerk will
21 please read the title of the resolution.

22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
23 appointing Rick Milan to the Board of Directors of
24 the South Street Head House District of
25 Philadelphia.

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
3 recognizes Councilwoman Clark.

4 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: I move the
5 adoption.

6 (Duly seconded.)

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It has been
8 moved and properly seconded that Resolution No.
9 980938 be approved.

10 All in favor will signify by saying aye.

11 Those opposed?

12 The ayes have it, and the motion is
13 carried.

14 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Clark.

15 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Madam Chair, the
16 Committee of the Whole reports out Resolution No.
17 980939 with a favorable recommendation.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Clerk will
19 please read the title of the resolution.

20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
21 appointing Michael Samschick to the Board of
22 Directors of the South Street Head House District of
23 Philadelphia.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
25 recognizes Councilwoman Clark.

1 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE

2 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: I move the adoption
3 of the resolution.

4 (Duly seconded.)

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It has been
6 moved and properly seconded that Resolution No.
7 980939 be approved.

8 All in favor will signify by saying aye.

9 Those opposed?

10 The ayes have it. The motion is
11 carried.

12 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Clark.

13 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Madam Chair, the
14 Committee of the Whole reports out Resolution No.
15 980940 with a favorable recommendation.

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

18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
19 appointing Abner Silver, Esquire, to Board of
20 Directors of South Street Head House District of
21 Philadelphia.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
23 recognizes Councilwoman Clark.

24 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: I move the
25 adoption.

1 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE

2 (Duly seconded.)

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It has been
4 moved and properly seconded that Resolution No.
5 980940 stand approved.

6 All in favor will signify by saying aye.

7 Those opposed?

8 The ayes have it. The motion is
9 carried.

10 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Clark.

11 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Madam Chair,
12 Resolution No. 990261 was reported out of the
13 Committee with a favorable recommendation.

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

16 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
17 appointing James M. Warfield, Jr., to the Board of
18 Directors of the City Avenue Special Service
19 District of Philadelphia and Lower Merion.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
21 recognizes Councilwoman Clark.

22 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: I move the adoption
23 of the resolution.

24 (Duly seconded.)

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It has been

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2 moved and properly seconded that Resolution No.
3 990261 be approved.

4 All in favor will signify by saying aye.

5 Those opposed?

6 The ayes have it, and the motion is
7 carried.

8 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Clark.

9 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Madam Chair, the
10 Committee of the Whole reports out Resolution 990262
11 with a favorable recommendation.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: 262?
13 Councilwoman, is that 262?

14 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Yes. I have 262,
15 yes. It's Lower Merion. It's the right number.

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chief
17 Clerk will please read Resolution No. 990262.

18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A Resolution
19 appointing Andrea Gilbert to Board of Directors of
20 the City Avenue Special Services District of
21 Philadelphia and Lower Merion.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
23 recognizes Councilwoman Clark.

24 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: I move the
25 adoption.

1 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE

2 (Duly seconded.)

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It has been
4 moved and properly seconded that Resolution No.
5 990262 stands approved.

6 All in favor will signify by saying aye.

7 Those opposed?

8 The ayes have it. The motion carries.

9 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: With respect to
10 Resolution 980934, will the record reflect that it
11 is not being withdrawn but not being considered at
12 this time.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.
14 That will be noted in the Journal. Thank you very
15 much.

16 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
17 Miller.

18 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Thank you, Madam
19 President. Madam President, I am requesting a leave
20 to attend to Council business and I'd like to leave
21 my vote of aye on all bills and resolutions.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Leave will be
23 granted. Thank you.

24 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Thank you.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair

1 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE

2 recognizes Councilman Kenney for a report from the
3 Rules Committee.

4 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you, Madam
5 President. The Council Committee on Rules reports
6 out Bill No. 980848 with a favorable recommendation.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Clerk will
8 please read the report.

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: To the
10 President and Members of the Council in the City of
11 Philadelphia, the Committee on Rules to which was
12 referred Bill No. 980848 entitled an ordinance to
13 amend the Philadelphia zoning maps by changing the
14 zoning designations of certain areas of land located
15 in the 35th Ward within an area bounded by Oxford
16 Roosevelt Boulevard, Whittaker Avenue, Godfrey
17 Street, Tabor Road, and Martins Mills Road
18 respectfully reports it has considered the same and
19 returns the attached bill to Council with a
20 favorable recommendation.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Bill 980848
22 will be placed on our First Reading Calendar for our
23 next meeting.

24 Are there any other reports from
25 committees today?

1 SECOND AND FINAL READING CALENDAR

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3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Seeing none,
4 the next order of business is consideration of the
5 calendar.

6 The Chief Clerk will read the bills on
7 the First Reading Calendar.

8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Bill No. 980464,
9 an ordinance authorizing the paving of Gardenia
10 Lane, under certain terms and conditions.

11 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Point of order,
12 Madam President.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: I'm sorry,
14 we're considering the First Reading Calendar.

15 Councilman?

16 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Madam President, the
17 point of order is just that I don't believe there
18 are any bills on First Reading today. That was your
19 request.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.
21 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Clark for the
22 purpose calling bills up for the Second Reading and
23 Final Passage Calendar since we have no bills on the
24 First Reading Calendar.

25 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Madam Chair, only

1 SECOND AND FINAL READING CALENDAR

2 Bill 980464 is called up for the purpose of being
3 recommitted --

4 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Point of order,
5 Madam President.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
7 recognizes Councilman Kenney.

8 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: I may have
9 misunderstood Councilmember O'Neill's staff, but
10 when they were asked in Caucus, I think they wanted
11 that held.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: No, he changed
13 it.

14 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: I apologize. Thank
15 you.

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Please
17 proceed.

18 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Madam Chair, Bill
19 No. 980646 is being called up to be recommitted by
20 its major sponsor. All others are being held.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

22 The Clerk will please read the title of
23 Bill No. 980464.

24 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
25 authorizing the paving of Gardenia Lane, under

1 SECOND AND FINAL READING CALENDAR

2 certain terms and conditions.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
4 recognizes Councilman O'Neill.

5 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Madam Chair, I move
6 that Bill No. 80464 be recommitted to the Committee
7 on Streets and Services.

8 (Duly seconded.)

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It has been
10 moved and seconded.

11 All in favor will signify by say aye.

12 Those opposed?

13 The ayes have it. Bill No. 980464 will
14 be recommitted to committee.

15 Are there any speeches on the part of
16 the minority?

17 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Point of order,
18 Madam President.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
20 recognizes Councilwoman Clark.

21 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: I have just been
22 handed a resolution I had expected earlier
23 recognizing and honoring Reverend Jesse Jackson and
24 the delegation for the success in freeing the
25 American prisoners of war, and with your kind

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permission I would like to have it read.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Please do.

The clerk will please read the title of
the resolution.

CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
honoring the Reverend Jesse Jackson for his success
in securing the release of the American prisoners of
war in Yugoslavia.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
recognizes Councilwoman Clark.

COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Madam Chair, can we
have it read in its entirety?

COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Sure.

CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
honoring the Reverend Jesse Jackson for his success
in securing the release of the American prisoners of
war in Yugoslavia.

Whereas, Staff Sergeant Christopher J.
Stone, Staff Sergeant Andrew Ramirez, and Specialist
Steven Gonzales were captured on March 31, 1999,
while patrolling the Yugoslavia Macedonia border as
part of a peace-keeping mission seven days after
NATO began bombing Yugoslavia.

And whereas, Staff Sergeant Stone and

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2 Ramirez and Specialist Gonzales appeared on
3 television visibly shaken and injured and were then
4 held in solitary confinement by their captors for a
5 month.

6 And whereas, the Reverend Jesse Jackson
7 traveled to Belgrade and secured the release this
8 week after talks with Yugoslavia President Slobodan
9 Milosevic.

10 And whereas, the Reverend Jesse Jackson
11 has once again shown his uncanny gift for global
12 daring.

13 And whereas, the three freed U.S.
14 servicemen crossed in Croatia accompanied by the
15 Reverend Jesse Jackson after more than a month as
16 prisoners of war.

17 And whereas, the freed soldiers were
18 flown from Croatia to a U.S. Military base in
19 Ramstein, Germany, to be united with their families.

20 And whereas, the release of Staff
21 Sergeants Stone, Ramirez, and Specialist Gonzales
22 were accomplished through the intervention, effort,
23 and diplomacy of the Reverend Jesse Jackson.

24 Therefore, be it resolved that we
25 reaffirm our resolve to ensure the security and self

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2 government of one million Kosovos who are unable to
3 go home because of the policies of the regime in
4 Belgrade, and that we once again offer our deep
5 gratitude to the Reverend Jesse Jackson for securing
6 the release of Staff Sergeants Stone and Ramirez and
7 Specialist Gonzales from captivity, thereby allowing
8 them to return home free at last.

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

11 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Madam Chair, I move
12 the adoption of this resolution with grateful
13 appreciation to the entire delegation that
14 accompanied Reverend Jackson on that humane trip.

15 (Duly seconded.)

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It has been
17 moved and seconded that the resolution be adopted.
18 All in favor will signify by saying aye.

19 Those oppose?

20 The ayes have it. The motion is
21 carried.

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23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Are there any
24 speeches on the part of the Minority?

25 Are there any speeches on the part of

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2 the Majority.

3 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you, Madam
4 Chair. I would respectfully request that this
5 Council and all stand in a moment of silence in
6 memory of Fire Fighter Eric J. Casiano who lost his
7 life this week after fighting a fire and collapsing
8 in the station. He will be laid to rest tomorrow,
9 and I would like a standing moment of silence if
10 possible.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Everyone will
12 stand for a moment of silence.

13 (Moment of silence.)

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
15 recognizes Councilwoman Clark.

16 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Madam President,
17 today I would like to introduce to this body a
18 relative of mine who happens to be in town for a
19 conference. Her name is Daisy W. Madison. She's
20 Deputy Administrator of the Department of Finance
21 and Administrations from the City of Chattanooga,
22 Tennessee, and she's here, my newest cousin.

23 (Applause.)

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Are there any
25 other speeches on the part of the Majority?

1 ADJOURNMENT

2 Seeing none, the Chair recognizes
3 Councilwoman Clark for a motion to adjourn.

4 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Madam Chair, I move
5 that this Council be adjourned until Thursday, May
6 13, 1999.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Do I hear a
8 second?

9 (Duly seconded.)

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It has been
11 moved and seconded. The Council stands adjourned
12 until Thursday, May 13, 1999.

13 All in favor wil signify by saying aye.

14 Those opposed?

15 The ayes have it. Council stands
16 adjourned until Thursday May 13, 1999.

17 (Adjourned at 11:00 a.m.)

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing
proceedings of the Council of the City of
Philadelphia of May 6, 1999, were reported fully and
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transcript of the same.

RE: STATED MEETING

Lisa C. Bradley, RPR
and Notary Public

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