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COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA
STATED MEETING

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Room 401, City Hall
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Thursday, February 21, 2002
10:20 a.m.

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PRESENT:

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ANNA C. VERNA

COUNCILWOMAN JANNIE BLACKWELL
COUNCILWOMAN BLONDELL REYNOLDS BROWN
COUNCILMAN DARRELL L. CLARKE
COUNCILMAN DAVID COHEN
COUNCILMAN FRANK J. DI CICCO
COUNCILMAN WILSON W. GOODE, JR.
COUNCILWOMAN JOAN L. KRAJEWSKI
COUNCILMAN W. THACHER LONGSTRETH
COUNCILMAN RICHARD T. MARIANO
COUNCILWOMAN DONNA REED MILLER
COUNCILMAN MICHAEL A. NUTTER
COUNCILMAN BRIAN J. O'NEILL
COUNCILMAN ANGEL L. ORTIZ
COUNCILMAN FRANK RIZZO
COUNCILWOMAN MARIAN B. TASCO

PATRICIA RAFFERTY, CHIEF CLERK

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Good morning.

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

7 To give our invocation this morning, the
8 Chair welcomes Rabbi Goldman. He is here today as
9 the guest of Councilman DiCicco.

10 Members and guests will please rise.

11 RABBI GOLDMAN: Good morning. Almighty
12 God, master of the universe, members of this august
13 body, the City Council, convene here to fulfill one
14 of the seven commandments which you first issued to
15 the Adam at the time of his creation 5,762 years ago
16 and then reissued to Noah and his sons after the
17 great flood, the commandment to govern by just laws.

18 At the dawn of civilization, as related
19 in the holy biblical book of Genesis and its sacred
20 commentaries, you issued the following seven laws
21 which came to be known as the seven Noahide (ph)
22 laws: To worship you alone and not to serve idles.
23 Never to blaspheme your holy name. Not to murder.
24 Not to commit adultery, incest, sodomy, or any
25 aberration. Not to steal, lie, or cheat. Not to be

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2 cruel to any living creature. And that every
3 society governed by just laws which are based in the
4 recognition and acknowledgment of you, oh God, as
5 the sovereign ruler of all men and nations.

6 We, the citizens of this blessed City,
7 Philadelphia, the City of Brotherly Love, proudly
8 proclaim this recognition and our commitment to
9 justice in our nation's the Pledge of allegiance,
10 one nation under God with liberty and justice for
11 all.

12 Those assembled here to enact laws that
13 govern this blessed city are by devine providence
14 elevated in our society to preserve and safeguard
15 democracy and freedom in our daily lives, thereby
16 enhancing our devine service to the ultimate
17 lawmaker and law enforcer, the creator of the
18 universe.

19 Grant us, almighty God, that they be
20 cognizant of your presence and conduct their
21 deliberations accordingly. Bless the esteemed
22 members of this Council with good health, wisdom,
23 compassion, good cheer, good fellowship, and added
24 security in these challenging times. May they
25 constantly realize that in laboring for the

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2 enactment of just laws, they are doing your will.

3 May God bless America. And let us say

4 Amen.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair

6 thanks Rabbi Goldman for his inspiring invocation.

7 Council will be at ease.

8 (Council at ease.)

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The next order
10 of business is the approval of the Journal of the
11 meeting of Thursday, February 14, 2002. And the
12 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell.

13 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,
14 Madam President. I move that the Journal of the
15 meeting of Thursday, February 14, 2002 stand
16 approved.

17 (Duly seconded.)

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It has been
19 moved and properly seconded that the Journal of the
20 meeting Thursday, February 14, 2002, stands
21 approved.

22 All in favor will indicate by saying
23 aye.

24 Those opposed?

25 The ayes have it. The motion carries.

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2 The Journal of the meeting of Thursday February 14,
3 2002, stands approved.

4 The next order of business is the
5 requests for leaves of absence.

6 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
7 Blackwell.

8 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,
9 Madam President. This morning a request for a leave
10 of absence is requested for Councilman James Kenney.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
12 thanks the Councilwoman. Leave will be granted.

13 The Chair recognizes Councilman Rizzo.

14 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Madam President, the
15 Republicans have no requests for leaves of absence.

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

17 The Chair will dispense with the regular
18 order of business to recognize the guests and
19 visitors joining us in Chambers this morning.

20 On behalf of all Members of City
21 Council, I welcome you to our Council Session. We
22 appreciate your taking the time to join us as we
23 attend to the legislative affairs of our City. We
24 certainly invite you to come again.

25 At this time, the Chair recognizes

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2 Councilwoman Blackwell who will present a resolution
3 honoring the late Dox Thrash.

4 Will Mr. John Ittman and Ms.
5 McClenney-Brooker from the Philadelphia Museum of
6 Art and those accompanying them please join the
7 Councilwoman at the podium.

8 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,
9 Madam President. We also request Councilman Clarke,
10 Councilman Mariano, Councilwoman Reynolds-Brown,
11 Councilman DiCicco to join us.

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

14 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,
15 Madam President.

16 A resolution honoring the late Dox
17 Thrash, a US veteran, renowned artist, and long-time
18 resident of the City Philadelphia in recognition of
19 his many contributions to the advancement of
20 African-Americans in the dawn of the Civil Rights
21 Era.

22 Whereas, Mr. Dox Thrash was born in
23 Griffin, Georgia, to Gus and Ophelia Thrash in 1893.
24 Though he quit school after only completing the
25 fourth grade, he nurtured his love and drawing

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2 through art correspondence courses. He later
3 cultivated his art skills in 1914 through enrolling
4 in evening classes in the Art Institute of Chicago
5 while working part-time as an elevator operator; and

6 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Whereas, he enlisted
7 in the US Army in 1917 at the start of World War I
8 and served for 14 months as a private in the 365th
9 Infantry Regiment, 183rd Brigade, 92nd Division, an
10 all-black unit later proudly known as the Buffalo
11 Soldiers; and

12 Whereas, the artist settled in
13 Philadelphia in 1926 and in 1933 t the Katherine
14 Street Branch of the YMCA held his first exhibit.
15 He later expanded his network through being an
16 active member of the Pyramid Club, a black social
17 and cultural center founded in 1940 at 1517 West
18 Girard Avenue. In 1937 at the height of the
19 depression, he joined Philadelphia's Fine Print
20 Workshop, a division of government-sponsored
21 federal arts project, the massive work relief
22 program design to put thousands of unemployed artist
23 to work; and

24 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Whereas, as the
25 federal arts program came to an end in 1941, Mr.

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2 Thrash sought employment in a thriving Civil
3 Defense. He was turned away from applying for a
4 signet painter in the airplane department of the
5 Philadelphia Navy Yard when he was informed that a
6 job was not available for members of his race. He
7 later found employment with the Sun Ship Company in
8 Chester, PA, and the Philadelphia Housing Authority
9 as a house painter; and

10 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Whereas, although
11 he has remained a familiar figure Philadelphia art
12 circles since his death in 1965, the Philadelphia
13 Museum of Art exhibit, "Dox Thrash: An African
14 American Printmaker Rediscovered," is the first
15 occasion that the career of this remarkable artist
16 has been the subject of an in-depth study and that
17 can accomplishments as a printmaker have been fully
18 examined.

19 Now, therefore

20 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Resolved by the
21 Council of the City of Philadelphia that we hereby
22 honor the late Dox Thrash, a US veteran, renowned
23 artist, and long-time resident of the City of
24 Philadelphia in recognition of his many
25 contributions to the advancement of

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2 African-Americans in the dawn the Civil Rights Era
3 and the Philadelphia Museum of Art for ensuring that
4 his history is never forgotten.

5 Certification this is a true and correct
6 copy of the original resolution adopted by the
7 Council of the City of Philadelphia on the 14th day
8 of February, 2002. Signed by the Council President,
9 Anna C. Verna, introduced by Councilwoman Jannie L.
10 Blackwell, and cosponsored by all Members of City
11 Council.

12 (Applause.)

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
14 recognizes Ms. Brooker for remarks.

15 MS. BROOKER: Thank you. I'm Cheryl
16 McClenney-Brooker, the Director of External Affairs
17 at the Philadelphia Museum of Art. Good morning.

18 President Verna and to Councilwoman
19 Blackwell and all Councilmembers, good morning and
20 thank you for sponsoring this resolution honoring a
21 true creative artist and a citizen of Philadelphia.
22 We proudly claim him as a master printmaker and a
23 Philadelphia son.

24 We want to thank many people for this
25 exhibition. Among them, our sponsor Exelon, which

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2 is the parent company of PECO Energy. In fact, a
3 few months ago, you may have seen on your crown
4 lights some lights announcing the exhibit of the Dox
5 Thrash show.

6 We also want to thank the Philadelphia
7 Tribune. And at your desks is this supplement,
8 which was generously done by the Philadelphia
9 Tribune. It is a way of describing to you the
10 exhibition and talking about Dox Thrash's times. It
11 is also a very good way to document for to you
12 something that was very important that had not been
13 documented before. This exhibit has a very
14 important title, it's an "African-American Master
15 Printmaker Rediscovered."

16 And so it's my honor to introduce you to
17 John Ittman who is the curator of printmaking at the
18 museum and also the organizer of the Dox Thrash
19 exhibition. He is the one who did the work that
20 brought us the Dox Thrash show. So thank you, John.
21 And thank you again to City Council.

22 MR. ITTMAN: Good morning. I, too, want
23 to thank the Council President Councilwoman Verna
24 and all the City Councilmembers for this great honor
25 and to acknowledge this resolution on behalf of the

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2 Thrash family in the person of Colonel Eugene
3 Cheatham, Jr., who retired from a distinguished
4 career in the Air Force a number of years ago, a
5 career that he began around 1940 as a Tuskegee
6 Airman. Shortly before embarking on that career,
7 Colonel Cheatham, who now lives near San Diego, came
8 and lived in Philadelphia for almost two years and
9 became even closer to his uncle.

10 I should mention, too, that the
11 supplement has a short excerpt of an interview with
12 Colonel Cheatham in it that contains memories of
13 this time. It's also wonderful to note that Cecil
14 B. Moore Avenue is where thrash lived for 30 years
15 of his life. He had art studios on Cecil B. Moore
16 Avenue and around the corner on Ridge Avenue near
17 24th Street and owned a house there as well. There
18 is now a mural celebrating his career at the corner
19 of 25th and Cecil B. Moore. And as you drive by,
20 you'll notice in the center of it this photograph of
21 Dox Thrash himself that was taken in the fine print
22 workshop of the WPA where he began to make such a
23 lasting mark as a printmaker.

24 It's wonderful to acknowledge the
25 accomplishments of his career with this exhibition

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2 and to perpetuate his legacy for new generations.

3 Thank you so much.

4 (Applause.)

5 MR. ITTMAN: And I should remind you,
6 too, if you come to the exhibition before it closes
7 on Sunday, this supplement is there for everyone to
8 take away. This is the last week of the exhibition.
9 Sunday is the last day. Thank you.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you
11 again. Council will be at ease.

12 (Council at ease.)

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: At this time
14 the Chair recognizes Councilwoman Tasco for a
15 presentation honoring Vikki Leach.

16 Will Ms. Leach and those accompanying
17 her please join the Councilwoman at the podium.

18 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Tasco.

19 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Thank you, Madam
20 President. This morning we have the distinct honor
21 and privilege celebrating the legacy of the woman
22 who has earned the mantle as the Emily Post of
23 Philadelphia. I refer to none other than Ms. Vikki
24 Leach. Vikki is by far Philadelphia's authority on
25 etiquette. A former talk show host on WHAT radio

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2 station and premiere wedding and special events
3 coordinator, Vikki Leach has been advising our
4 citizens on the dos and don't of etiquette in
5 everyday life at home, on the job, and for special
6 events for many years.

7 Vikki, we're real pleased today to have
8 you with us, and we read this resolution honoring
9 you.

10 The Council of the City of Philadelphia
11 is pleased to join in tribute to Ms. Vikki Leach on
12 the 10th anniversary of her Bridal Extravaganza.

13 Whereas, Ms. Leach held the first Bridal
14 Extravaganza in this City in February 1992, and
15 since that time the event has grown in size,
16 programmatic offerings, vendors, participation, and
17 enthusiasm; and

18 Whereas, the initial impulse of the
19 Bridal Extravaganza brides and grooms of color
20 culture and taste who rarely saw themselves on the
21 runway. It also offered visibility to under-exposed
22 professionals who might otherwise not have the
23 opportunity to display their wedding-related skills
24 and services. It should also be noted that in 1993
25 Elite Unlimited Modeling and Training Facility which

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2 teaches young people manners, style, grace,
3 responsibility and dedication was chosen to train
4 the models for the runway; and

5 Whereas, today the audience for this
6 extravaganza has grown to nearly 1,000 guests, many
7 of whom make final bridal arrangements right at the
8 event; and

9 Whereas, we recognize that although Ms.
10 Leach lives her occupation as professional wedding
11 coordinator and events planner, that hardly begins
12 to define her many skills of her important role in
13 the community. For all of this, we thank her on her
14 10th anniversary of fulfillment and success.

15 Now, therefore, resolved by the Council
16 of the City of Philadelphia that we hereby honor and
17 commend Ms. Vikki Leach on the occasion of her
18 Bridal Extravaganza 10th anniversary.

19 Further resolved that an engrossed copy
20 of this resolution be presented to Ms. Leach s
21 evidence of the sincere admiration, high esteem and
22 hardy congratulations of this legislative body.

23 Certification that this is a true and
24 correct copy of the original resolution adopted by
25 the Council of the City of Philadelphia on the 14th

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2 day, Valentine's Day, of February 2002. It is
3 singed by President Verna, President of City
4 Council, introduced by Marian Tasco and supported
5 all Members of City Council.

6 We congratulate Vikki.

7 (Applause.)

8 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: She has done an
9 outstanding job. She is very professional. And
10 those of you who are planning your wedding event
11 should certainly contact her. She does an
12 outstanding job.

13 We congratulate you and welcome you to
14 City Council.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Happy
16 anniversary. The Chair recognizes Ms. Leach for
17 remarks.

18 MS. LEACH: Thank you. The Honorable
19 President Verna, the Honorable Marian Tasco, to all
20 of the Members of the Council of the City of
21 Philadelphia who handle the affairs here, thank you
22 for so graciously receiving me. I am pleased to be
23 here.

24 Transplanted from the city of my birth,
25 Fayetteville, North Carolina, I came here to go to

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2 they did not stand, but is Brother Robert Gray and
3 Mrs. Sylvia Gray who are members of the African
4 American Freedom and Reconstruction League,
5 community people whom I share some of the very same
6 interests as them. So welcome to them.

7 Behind me I have my biological sister
8 Mrs. Ruth Reilly. I have my niece, Mary Ellen
9 Leach, a member of the Philadelphia Police
10 Department. Also, I see businesses represented
11 here. Right in front of me is Mr. Harold Yates, an
12 esteemed videographer in the City of Philadelphia.
13 I see Raymond Holman, commercial and wedding
14 photographer in the City of Philadelphia. Many of
15 you know him. I see reflections photography, Mr.
16 Brandon Hall. His partner Paul DeWalt is absence
17 today. I see standing here is Ms. Janice Trueheart
18 who is the co-publisher of For You Magazine, a
19 publication that gives us the opportunity to show
20 brides and grooms of color where many, many years
21 we've seen pictures that did not emulate anything
22 that we looked like. This publication, I would have
23 you to know that the first year that we did the
24 Bridal Extravaganza, Mr. bruise Parson who is the
25 publisher was my DJ and they have elevated to the

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2 point that all of you receive this publication, all
3 of the Councilmembers, we have one for you. I see
4 also Mr. Merv Caruth who is well versed -- many of
5 you knew him from automobile sales. Now he's in
6 financial services. I see my church members Deacon
7 and Deaconess William and Lula Dillard. Here beside
8 me is my dear friend and a wonderful, wonderful
9 businesswoman recognized by the State of
10 Pennsylvania as one of 50 best women in business
11 Jule Mann-Lasiter (ph). I see here Florine Vaughn.
12 Florine Vaughn's Beauty Salon Make-up Hair Styles,
13 the business. I see Bernard Hopewell, videographer.
14 I see Bob Jackson, photographer. I see Peter House
15 who is a DJ. I see Juanita Johnson, Star
16 Productions Balloons and More. I see Mr. Marvin
17 Diamond, Marvin Diamond Production. I see George
18 Mercer who represents Bishop Realty. I see Skip and
19 I see Gene from Black Tie Formals. Now, I'm looking
20 at them and I'm wanting to make a point about them.
21 The very first year that I decided to this, you know
22 the difficulty of trying to get people to support
23 what you're doing regardless of what they look like.
24 I can tell you that when I went to Gene 10 years ago
25 in 1992, he said to me "Whatever you're doing, we're

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2 with you because you are a professional woman and we
3 want to support you." And that's the kind diversity
4 that is evolved over the years.

5 And I thought it fitting at this 10th
6 anniversary as we move forward to this coming Sunday
7 when we will honor ourselves with our 10th
8 celebration, we wanted Council and the people of the
9 City of Philadelphia to know that weddings are not
10 just something fuzzy. It's an opportunity for
11 brides and grooms to get to know each other. It's
12 wonderful insightful time to be certain that that
13 day, nothing is missed. You won't see things that
14 should not have happened that day.

15 And to all of you Members of Council,
16 you'll see just a small token of my thanks for being
17 here, a tiny box of Godiva chocolate is on your
18 station. If it's not, let me know so that I
19 can make certain. And we also would like to have
20 one of the For You magazines so that you see that
21 we're continually asking to broaden this market.

22 Thank you so much, Councilwoman Tasco.
23 I'm pleased to be here. And to all of you, it's my
24 honor to receive this. Ten years. Thank you so
25 much.

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2 (Applause.)

3 MS. LEACH: And now 10 years later,
4 "Engaged to be Married," that was the question that
5 I heard. We finally have a videotape, "Engaged to
6 be Married, Now What?" This, simple and easy. At
7 least it gets you on the right track. It will be
8 released on this coming Sunday. Thank you.

9 (Applause.)

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Council will
11 be at ease.

12 (Council at ease.)

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The next order
14 of business is communications. The Chair requests
15 that the Sergeant-at-Arms deliver the messages from
16 the Mayor to the Clerk.

17 The Clerk will please read the messages
18 from the Mayor.

19 THE CLERK: To the President and Members
20 of the Council of the City of Philadelphia, I am
21 pleased to advise you that I have signed the
22 following bills that were passed by Council at its
23 session on February 14, 2002: Bill No. 010529 and
24 Bill No. 010560.

25 And I am transmitting for the

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2 consideration of your Honorable Body, a draft of a
3 resolution entitled, a resolution approving the
4 redevelopment contract and disposition supplement of
5 the Redevelopment Authority of the City of
6 Philadelphia for the redevelopment and urban renewal
7 of a portion of the Model Cities Urban Renewal Area.

8 And a resolution approving the
9 redevelopment contract and disposition supplement of
10 the Redevelopment Authority of the City of
11 Philadelphia which includes the West Philadelphia
12 Redevelopment Area.

13 And an ordinance authorizing the
14 construction of sewers and appurtenant work in
15 portion Green Lane.

16 And an ordinance authorizing the
17 construction of a water main and appurtenant work in
18 portions of Segal Street.

19 And an ordinance authorizing the
20 construction of sanitary sewers and appurtenant work
21 in portions of Brierdale Road and Grakyn Lane.

22 And an ordinance to amend the
23 Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning
24 designations of areas of land located within an area
25 bounded by Oregon Avenue, 19th Street, Johnson

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2 Street and 20th Street.

3 And an ordinance authorizing the
4 Commissioner of Public Property on behalf of the
5 City of Philadelphia to acquire by condemnation an
6 easement through 3822 Ridge Avenue.

7 And an ordinance amending Title 22 of
8 the Philadelphia Code entitled City of Philadelphia
9 Public Employees Retirement Code.

10 And an ordinance authorizing the
11 revision of lines and grades on a portion of City
12 Plan No. 231 by relocating certain portions of Kater
13 Street, under certain terms and conditions.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The messages
15 will be printed in the Journal.

16 The Clerk will read any other
17 communications in her possession.

18 THE CLERK: I have no more
19 communications, Madam President.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

21 The next order of business of the
22 introduction of bills and resolutions.

23 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
24 Blackwell for a motion.

25 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,

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2 Madam. I move that the Rules of Council be
3 suspended so as to permit immediate consideration of
4 resolutions at their time of introduction.

5 (Duly seconded.)

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It has been
7 moved and properly seconded that the Rules of
8 Council be suspended so as to permit immediate
9 consideration of resolutions at the time of
10 introduction.

11 All in favor of the motion will signify
12 by saying aye.

13 Those opposed?

14 The ayes have it and the motion carries.

15 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
16 Blackwell.

17 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Madam
18 President, this morning I have one bill and one
19 resolution on your behalf and one bill on my own.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

21 The Clerk will please read the title of
22 the first bill.

23 THE CLERK: An ordinance amending Title
24 22 of the Philadelphia Code entitled City of
25 Philadelphia Public Employees Retirement Code by

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2 amending Chapter 22-1300 entitled "Miscellaneous,"
3 by providing that upon authorization of a member the
4 Director of Finance may pay sums from the member's
5 benefits o long-term health care organizations, all
6 under terms and conditions.

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

9 THE CLERK: And an ordinance to amend
10 the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning
11 designations of certain areas of land located within
12 in an area bounded Oregon Avenue, 19th Street,
13 Johnson Street and 20 Street.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This bill also
15 be referred to the appropriate committee.

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

18 THE CLERK: A resolution approving the
19 redevelopment contract and disposition supplement of
20 the Redevelopment Authority of City of Philadelphia
21 which includes inter alia the redevelopment and
22 urban renewal of a portion of the West Philadelphia
23 Redevelopment Area.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
25 recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell.

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2 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Madam

3 President, I move for adoption.

4 (Duly seconded.)

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

8 All in favor will signify by saying aye.

9 Those opposed?

10 The ayes have it. The motion carries.

11 The Chair recognizes Councilman Cohen.

12 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Madam President, I
13 have no bills or resolutions.

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

16 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
17 Krajewski.

18 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Madam
19 President, I have no bills or resolutions.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.
21 The Chair recognizes Councilman Mariano.

22 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: I have no bills or
23 resolution today, Madam President.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

25 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Tasco.

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2 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: I offer one bill,
3 Madam President.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

5 The Clerk will please read the title of
6 the bill.

7 THE CLERK: An ordinance establishing
8 a no truck parking regulation on the 8200 block of
9 Temple Road, both sides, from Mount Airy to Mount
10 Pleasant Avenues.

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

13 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
14 Miller.

15 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Good morning,
16 Madam President. Thank you. I offer one bill.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Clerk will
18 please read the title of the bill.

19 THE CLERK: An ordinance authorizing the
20 construction of sewers and appurtenant work in the
21 portions of Green Lane.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The bill will
23 be referred the appropriate committee.

24 The Chair recognizes Councilman Nutter.

25 (No response.)

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: We'll pass

3 Councilman Nutter for the moment.

4 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Brown.

5 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS-BROWN: Thank you,

6 Madam President. I have no bills or resolutions

7 this morning.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

9 The Chair recognizes Councilman Goode.

10 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you, Madam

11 President. I offer one resolution sponsored by all

12 Members of Council.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Clerk will

14 please read the title of the resolution.

15 THE CLERK: A resolution honoring and

16 commending Fay L. M. Moore on her appointment as the

17 first female and first African-American general

18 manager of the Southeastern Pennsylvania

19 Transportation Authority.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair

21 recognizes Councilman Goode.

22 COUNCILMAN GOODE: I move for the

23 adoption.

24 (Duly seconded.)

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It has been

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2 moved and properly seconded that the resolution be
3 adopted.

4 All in favor will signify by saying aye.

5 Those opposed?

6 The ayes have it. The resolution has
7 been adopted.

8 The Chair recognizes Councilman Ortiz.

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

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

12 The Chair recognizes Councilman DiCicco.

13 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Thank you, Madam
14 President. I offer two bills.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

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

18 THE CLERK: An ordinance authorizing the
19 construction of a water main and appurtenant work in
20 portions of Segal Street.

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

23 THE CLERK: And an ordinance granting
24 permission to Raju Desai and Nahal Desai, owners of
25 the newsstand located on the southeast corner of

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2 Broad Street and Chestnut Street to construct and
3 maintain electrical conduit and electrical service
4 line and a telecommunication conduit and telephone
5 line service.

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

8 The Chair recognizes Councilman O'Neill.

9 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Madam President, I
10 have no bills or resolutions.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

12 The Chair recognizes Councilman Clarke.

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

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

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

18 THE CLERK: A resolution approving the
19 redevelopment contract and disposition supplement of
20 the Redevelopment Authority of the City of
21 Philadelphia for the redevelopment and urban renewal
22 of a portion of the Model Cities Urban Renewal Area.

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

25 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Move for the

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2 adoption of the resolution.
3 (Duly seconded.)
4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It has been
5 moved and properly seconded that the resolution be
6 adopted.
7 All in favor will signify by saying aye.
8 Those opposed?
9 The ayes have it. The motion carries.
10 The Chair recognizes Councilman
11 Longstreth.
12 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: No bills or
13 resolutions.
14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
15 thanks the gentleman.
16 The Chair recognizes Councilman Rizzo.
17 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Madam President, one
18 resolution.
19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Clerk will
20 please read the title of the resolution.
21 THE CLERK: A resolution recognizing
22 Oldies 98 WOGL FM DJ Bob Catano for his 25 years as
23 host of the Saturday Night Dance Party.
24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
25 recognizes Councilman Rizzo.

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

4 (Duly seconded.)

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

8 All in favor will signify by saying aye.

9 Those opposed?

10 The ayes have it. The motion carries.

11 The Chair recognizes Councilman Nutter.

12 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Thank you, Madam
13 President. I apologize for earlier. I offer five
14 bills and one resolution. The first bill I'm
15 offering on behalf of myself, 11 other members of
16 Council, businesses, and taxpayers of Philadelphia.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

18 The Clerk will please read the title of
19 the first bill.

20 THE CLERK: An ordinance amending
21 Chapter 19-1500 of the Philadelphia Code entitled
22 "Wage and Net Profit Tax" by decreasing the rates of
23 the tax and by making technical amendments, all
24 under certain terms and conditions.

25 The bill will be referred to the

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2 appropriate committee.

3 THE CLERK: And an ordinance authorizing
4 the Commissioner of Public Property on behalf of the
5 City to acquire by condemnation or by purchase in
6 lieu of condemnation a certain underground easement
7 through 3822 Ridge Avenue.

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

10 THE CLERK: And an ordinance amending
11 Title 14 of the Philadelphia Code relating to zoning
12 and planning by amending section 14-1615 entitled
13 "Main Street Manyunk Special District Controls."

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

16 THE CLERK: And an ordinance authorizing
17 the construction of sanitary sewers and appurtenant
18 work and portions Briardale Road and Grakyn Lane.

19 The bill will be referred to the
20 appropriate committee.

21 THE CLERK: And an ordinance authorizing
22 the revision of lines and grades in a portion of
23 City Plan No. 231 by relocating certain portions of
24 land on Kater Street under certain terms and
25 conditions.

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: This bill will
3 also referred to the appropriate committee.

4 THE CLERK: And a resolution approving
5 the redevelopment contract and disposition
6 supplement of the Redevelopment Authority of the
7 City of Philadelphia which includes the
8 redevelopment and urban renewal of a portion of the
9 West Philadelphia Redevelopment Area.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
11 recognizes Councilman Nutter.

12 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Madam President, I
13 move the adoption of the resolution.

14 (Duly seconded.)

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

18 All in favor will signify by saying aye.

19 Those opposed?

20 The ayes have it. The the resolution
21 has been adopted.

22 Our next order of business is reports
23 from committees.

24 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
25 Blackwell for a report from the Committee of the

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2 Whole.

3 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,
4 Madam President.

5 The Committee of the Whole reports out
6 one bill with a favorable recommendation.

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

9 THE CLERK: To the President and Members
10 of the Council of the City of Philadelphia. The
11 Committee of the Whole to which was referred Bill
12 No. 020036 entitled an ordinance amending Bill No.
13 010694 entitled an ordinance authorizing the
14 approval of the execution and delivery of a service
15 agreement between the City of Philadelphia and the
16 Redevelopment Authority relating to comprehensive
17 neighborhood transformation program for
18 revitalization, renewal, redevelopment, and
19 transformation of blighted areas within the City of
20 Philadelphia, respectfully reports it has considered
21 and amended the same and returns the attached bill
22 to Council with a favorable recommendation.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
24 recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell.

25 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,

1 2/21/01 - STATED - FIRST READING

2 Madam President. I move that the Rules of Council
3 be suspended so as to permit first reading this day
4 of Bill No. 020036.

5 (Duly seconded.)

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It has been
7 moved and properly seconded that the rules of
8 Council be suspended in order to permit first
9 reading this day of Bill No. 020036.

10 All in favor will signify by saying aye.

11 Those opposed?

12 The ayes have it. And bill 020036 will
13 be placed on today's First Reading Calendar.

14 The next order of business is the
15 consideration of the calendar.

16 The Clerk will please read the bills on
17 the on the First Reading Calendar.

18 THE CLERK: Bill No. 020036, an
19 ordinance amending Bill No. 010694 entitled an
20 ordinance authorizing the approval of the execution
21 and delivery of a service agreement between the City
22 of Philadelphia and the Redevelopment Authority
23 relating to comprehensive neighborhood
24 transformation program for revitalization, renewal,
25 redevelopment, and transformation of blighted areas

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2 within the City of Philadelphia.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

4 The bill read by the Clerk will be placed on our
5 Second Reading and Final Passage Calendar for our
6 next session.

7 That concludes the First Reading
8 Calendar.

9 The Chair now recognizes Councilwoman
10 Blackwell for the purpose of calling up bills on the
11 Second Reading and Final Passage Calendar to be
12 called for consideration.

13 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,
14 Madam President. Today Bill No. 010340 is being
15 called for up for second reading and final passage.
16 All other bills are being held.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

18 The Clerk will please read the title of
19 the Bill No. 010340.

20 THE CLERK: An ordinance amending
21 Section 10-602 of the Philadelphia Code with respect
22 to smoking on any vehicle of public transportation
23 and in any public transit station or fare paid area
24 and increasing the amount of to be paid in response
25 to a violation notice to waiver court appearance,

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2 all under terms and conditions.

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

6 The Clerk will please call the roll.

7 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Blackwell.

8 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: No.

9 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke.

10 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

11 THE CLERK: Councilman Cohen.

12 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

13 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco.

14 COUNCILMAN DI CICCIO: Aye.

15 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode.

16 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

17 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Krajewski.

18 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

19 THE CLERK: Councilman Longstreth.

20 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.

21 THE CLERK: Councilman Mariano.

22 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

23 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Miller.

24 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.

25 THE CLERK: Councilman Nutter.

1 2/21/01 - STATED - ADJOURNMENT

2 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.

3 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill.

4 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.

5 THE CLERK: Councilman Ortiz.

6 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.

7 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Reynolds-Brown.

8 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS-BROWN: Aye.

9 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.

10 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

11 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco.

12 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

13 THE CLERK: Council President Verna.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

15 The ayes are 15, the nays are 1. A

16 majority of all Members of Council having voted in

17 the affirmative, the bill passes.

18 That concludes our Calendar for today.

19 Are there speeches on the part of the

20 minority.

21 Are there speeches on the part of the

22 majority.

23 Seeing none, the Chair recognizes

24 Councilwoman Tasco for a motion to adjourn.

25 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Thank you, Madam

1 2/21/01 - STATED - ADJOURNMENT

2 President. I move that Council stand adjourned
3 until Thursday, February 28th at 10:00 a.m.

4 (Duly seconded.)

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It has been
6 moved and seconded that Council stand adjourned
7 until Thursday, February 28 at 10:00 a.m.. All in
8 favor will say aye.

9 Those opposed?

10 The ayes have it and Council stands
11 adjourn until Thursday, February 28th at 10:00 a.m.
12 Thank you.

13 (Council adjourned at 11:05 a.m.)

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C E R T I F I C A T I O N

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing
proceedings of the Council of the City of
Philadelphia of February 21, 2002, were reported
fully and accurately by me, and that this is a
correct transcript of the same.

RE: STATED MEETING

Lisa C. Bradley, RPR
and Notary Public