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2 COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA

3 STATED MEETING

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5 Room 400, City Hall
6 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
7 Thursday, January 28, 2010
8 10:10 a.m.

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PRESENT:

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT ANNA C. VERNA
13 COUNCILWOMAN JANNIE BLACKWELL
14 COUNCILMAN DARRELL L. CLARKE
15 COUNCILMAN FRANK DiCICCO
16 COUNCILMAN W. WILSON GOODE, JR.
17 COUNCILMAN BILL GREEN
18 COUNCILMAN WILLIAM GREENLEE
19 COUNCILMAN CURTIS JONES, JR.
20 COUNCILMAN JACK KELLY
21 COUNCILMAN JAMES F. KENNEY
22 COUNCILWOMAN JOAN L. KRAJEWSKI
23 COUNCILMAN BRIAN J. O'NEILL
24 COUNCILWOMAN MARIA QUINONES-SANCHEZ
25 COUNCILWOMAN DONNA REED MILLER
COUNCILWOMAN BLONDELL REYNOLDS BROWN
COUNCILMAN FRANK RIZZO
COUNCILWOMAN MARIAN B. TASCO

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: I
3 note that the hour has come and that a
4 quorum of this Council is present.

5 Council will please come to
6 order. Members will take their seats,
7 and visitors will retire to the seats
8 outside the rails.

9 To give our invocation this
10 morning, the Chair recognizes Rabbi
11 Isaacson of the Congregation Beth Shalom.
12 He is here today as the guest of
13 Councilman DiCicco.

14 I would ask all members and
15 guests to please rise.

16 (Members and guests rise.)

17 RABBI ISAACSON: I would like
18 to ask for a moment of indulgence. I
19 would like to say a prayer for the
20 Haitian community, a special prayer.

21 May he who blessed our fathers
22 Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, may he bless
23 those people of the Haitian community and
24 in whose honor we are standing here
25 today. May he be merciful to them and

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2 cure them and heal them and give them the
3 strength and revive them. May he send
4 them speedily a perfect cure to all their
5 limbs and their nerves, with all sick
6 persons all over the world. May we who
7 are gathered here today together say
8 amen.

9 (Amen.)

10 RABBI ISAACSON: I would also
11 like to say a special prayer for our
12 soldiers, wherever they may be stationed.

13 May he who blessed our
14 forefathers Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, may
15 he bless the Armed Forces of the United
16 States, wherever they may be. May
17 HaShem, the Almighty, cause the enemies
18 who rise up against us to be struck down
19 before them. May the holy one, blessed
20 is he, preserve and rescue our fighting
21 men and women from every trouble and
22 distress and from every plague and
23 illness, and may he send blessing and
24 success in their every endeavor. May he
25 lead our enemies under their sway and may

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2 he adorn them with the crown of salvation
3 and with a diadem of triumph. And may
4 there be fulfilled for them the verse,
5 for it is the Almighty who goes with you
6 to battle your enemies for you and to
7 save you.

8 Let us say amen.

9 (Amen.)

10 RABBI ISAACSON: May he who
11 grants salvation to kings and dominion to
12 rulers whose kingdom is a kingdom
13 spanning all eternities, who releases
14 David, his servant, from the evil sword,
15 who places a road in the sea and a path
16 in the mighty waters, may he bless,
17 safeguard, preserve, help, exalt, make
18 great extol and praise our beloved
19 President and Vice-President, Governor,
20 Mayor of our great City of Philadelphia
21 and all the members of City Council and
22 everyone else gathered here.

23 May the king who reigns over
24 kings in his mercy, may he sustain them
25 and protect them from every trouble, woe

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2 and injury. May he rescue them. May he
3 gather peoples under their sway and cause
4 their enemies to fall before them.
5 Wherever they turn, may they succeed.

6 The king who reigns over kings,
7 in his mercy, may he put into their heart
8 and unto the heart of all of the
9 counselors and officials compassion to do
10 good with all of us and our wonderful
11 country, state and city. In their days
12 and in ours, so may it be his will.

13 Now let us say amen.

14 (Amen.)

15 RABBI ISAACSON: May the
16 Almighty bless you and protect you. May
17 he shower his blessings upon you and
18 grant us and the rest of the world peace.

19 Amen.

20 (Amen.)

21 RABBI ISAACSON: Thank you.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
23 Chair thanks Rabbi Isaacson for his very
24 inspiring invocation.

25 Council will be at ease.

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2 (Council at ease.)

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
4 next order of business is the approval of
5 the Journal of the meeting of Thursday,
6 December 17th, 2009.

7 The Chair recognizes
8 Councilwoman Tasco.

9 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Thank you,
10 Madam President. I move that the Journal
11 of the meeting of Thursday, December
12 17th, 2009 stand approved.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Do I
14 hear a second?

15 (Duly seconded.)

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It
17 has been moved and properly seconded that
18 the Journal of the meeting of Thursday,
19 December 17th, 2009 stand approved.

20 All in favor will indicate by
21 saying aye.

22 (Aye.)

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Those
24 opposed?

25 (No response.)

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
3 ayes have it and the Journal is approved.

4 The next order of business is
5 requests for leave of absence, and,
6 again, the Chair recognizes Councilwoman
7 Tasco.

8 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Thank you,
9 Madam Chair. On behalf of the majority,
10 there are no requests for leave of
11 absence today.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
13 Chair thanks the Councilwoman.

14 The Chair recognizes Councilman
15 O'Neill.

16 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Madam
17 President, on behalf of the republicans,
18 there are no requests for leave of
19 absence.

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

22 The Chair will dispense with
23 the regular order of business to
24 recognize guests and visitors joining us
25 in Chambers this morning. On behalf of

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2 all members of City Council, I welcome
3 you to our Council session. We
4 appreciate your taking the time to join
5 us as we attend to the legislative
6 affairs of our city. We certainly invite
7 you to come again.

8 At this time, the Chair
9 recognizes Councilman DiCicco, who will
10 present a resolution honoring and
11 celebrating the life and accomplishments
12 of Peggy Amsterdam.

13 Councilman DiCicco.

14 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Councilman
15 Kelly will be joining us, please.

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: If
17 there are members of the Amsterdam family
18 present or any of their friends present,
19 I would ask that you'd please join the
20 Councilmembers at the podium.

21 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Thank you
22 and good morning.

23 Resolution honoring and
24 celebrating the life and accomplishments
25 of Peggy Amsterdam.

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2 Whereas, Peggy Amsterdam took
3 the helm of the Greater Philadelphia
4 Cultural Alliance in the year 2000. The
5 Alliance is an arts and service
6 organization serving 385 non-profit
7 cultural organizations in the region,
8 with an annual operating budget of \$3.66
9 million; and

10 Whereas, Peggy, as the
11 President, established a new direction
12 for the Alliance by using the cultural
13 community as a unifying force for the
14 region. Peggy transformed the Alliance
15 from a membership organization to a
16 leadership organization that helps shape
17 regional policy decisions and ensures
18 that culture is a key component of
19 Philadelphia's renaissance; and

20 Whereas, Peggy successfully
21 informed leaders in government and
22 business of the importance of the arts
23 not just for the City's social well-being
24 but also for Philadelphia's economic
25 success. Under her leadership, the

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2 Alliance converted dozens of politicians
3 into strong arts supporters and enjoyed
4 numerous political victories, including
5 the retention of the cultural funding in
6 2004, the re-establishment of the Office
7 of Arts, Culture and Creative Economy and
8 defeating the proposed arts tax in 2009;
9 and

10 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Whereas,
11 Peggy initiated community regranting in
12 Southeastern Pennsylvania through the
13 Project Stream Program, formerly known as
14 the Five County Arts Fund, a program of
15 the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts.
16 She disbursed more than 1.65 million in
17 seed grants over eight years to
18 innovative community-based arts programs
19 throughout Southeastern Pennsylvania and
20 secured matching funds from both public
21 and private sources;

22 Whereas, as President of the
23 Alliance, Peggy oversaw the creation of
24 four major research publications since
25 2006, including Portfolio, Arts and

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2 Culture in the Metropolis, Strategies for
3 Sustainability in 2007; Arts, Culture and
4 Economic Prosperity in Greater
5 Philadelphia 2007; the 2008 Portfolio and
6 Research Into Action; and Pathways to New
7 Opportunities in 2009; and

8 Whereas, Peggy planned and
9 implemented two major cultural marketing
10 initiatives - Campaign for Culture and
11 the Alliance's current initiative,
12 Engaged 2020, a four-year \$6 million
13 marketing and civic engagement initiative
14 aimed at doubling cultural participation
15 in our region by 2020. Further, she
16 established Phillyfund.com, innovative
17 and unprecedented, the region's most
18 complete online entertainment calendar,
19 which now attracts 130,000 unique
20 visitors per month; Fund Savers, a
21 half-price ticket e-mail service which
22 reaches 68,000 subscribers weekly; and
23 the Cultural List Cooperative, which
24 remains the largest program of its type
25 in the country with 100-plus

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2 participating organizations and 900,000

3 names, representing one in three

4 households in the region;

5 COUNCILMAN KELLY: And whereas,

6 Peggy served in a number of volunteer

7 positions. She served as a member of the

8 Board of Americans for the Arts; a

9 founding member of the Cultural Data

10 Project; a member of the Executive

11 Committee of the Greater Philadelphia

12 Convention and Visitors Bureau; a member

13 of the Forum of Executive Women and the

14 International Women's Forum; an appointee

15 of Philadelphia Mayor Michael Nutter to

16 the Mayor's Cultural Advisory Council; a

17 panelist for the National Endowment for

18 the Arts; and on the Steering Committee

19 of the National Arts Education

20 Partnership; and

21 Whereas, Peggy's numerous

22 awards include being the first recipient

23 of the Ray Hanley Innovation Award

24 presented by the United States Urban Arts

25 Federation, USUAF, in recognition of

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2 outstanding individual contribution to
3 the arts and culture in American cities;
4 and the 2008 Fleisher Art Memorial
5 Founders Award, presented to individuals
6 whose commitment and effort have made a
7 significant contribution to expanding
8 people's access to the arts, supporting
9 excellence in artistic expression and
10 enriching Philadelphia's cultural
11 resources.

12 Now, therefore, be it

13 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Resolved,
14 by the Council of the City of
15 Philadelphia, that it honors and
16 celebrates the life and accomplishments
17 of Peggy Amsterdam.

18 Be it further resolved, that an
19 engrossed copy of this resolution be
20 presented to the Amsterdam family as
21 further evidence of the sincere
22 admiration of this legislative body.

23 Introduced by myself, Council
24 President Anna C. Verna and co-sponsored
25 by all members of City Council.

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2 Thank you.

3 (Applause.)

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna:

5 Council will be at ease.

6 (Council at ease.)

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: At

8 this time, the Chair recognizes

9 Councilman Kenney, who will present a
10 resolution calling for a United Ireland.

11 Will Mr. Seamus Boyle and those
12 accompanying him please join the
13 Councilman at the podium.

14 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you,
15 Madam President. It's an honor to stand
16 here today to represent not only the
17 Irish American members of the City
18 Council but all members of Council who
19 are fans of democracy and fairness around
20 the world. This is an issue that has
21 been going on for generations. It seemed
22 that it was going to be resolved and
23 things have stalled, and that's the
24 reason why we need to reexamine and
25 express our concern over this issue.

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2 This is a resolution calling on
3 the English and Irish governments to take
4 immediate steps necessary to bring to
5 fullness the promises of all of the
6 Ireland institutions called for and
7 envisioned by the Good Friday Agreement,
8 requesting the Irish government to
9 formally study the implications of a
10 united Ireland and outline steps
11 fundamental to restore the Irish nation
12 and publicly report their finding and
13 plans, and respectfully suggesting that
14 the Irish government move without delay
15 to further the peaceful healing of the
16 Irish nation by granting duly elected
17 Northern members of Parliament "Speaking
18 Rights" in the Irish Parliament and
19 expanding the voting rights for the Irish
20 President to the citizens of the six
21 counties of the North of Ireland.

22 Whereas, Ireland and its people
23 are an ancient and distinct nation; and

24 Whereas, Ireland is an island
25 nation that has throughout its history

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2 been comprised of 32 counties,
3 artificially divided into a 26-county
4 Irish Republic and a six-county Northern
5 Ireland unit in the 1920s; and

6 Whereas, this artificial,
7 forced division of the Irish nation was
8 designed to be a transitory answer to the
9 1920s issues; and

10 Whereas, history has
11 demonstrated that the Irish people have
12 the right and responsibility to govern
13 themselves;

14 Whereas, human and civic rights
15 derive "their just powers from the
16 consent of the governed" and are best
17 guaranteed by the people's freely
18 instituted, duly elected and independent
19 government; and

20 Whereas, the Irish Republic is
21 a member of the European Economic Union,
22 and a unified, independent Irish economy
23 is the most effective way to grow that
24 economy and the most fair and impartial
25 path to extend the benefits of such

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2 growth to all of Ireland; and

3 Whereas, a unified, independent
4 Irish Police Service and Justice System
5 is necessary to be effective, fair and
6 impartial; and

7 Whereas, a unified, independent
8 Irish society is most likely to provide
9 for the social and practical needs of its
10 people; and

11 Whereas, the historic Good
12 Friday Agreement, negotiated with
13 American support and ratified by the
14 English and Irish governments, as well as
15 a vote of the entire island of Ireland,
16 includes provisions for achieving a
17 united Ireland through purely democratic
18 and peaceful means and provides for the
19 development of the North/South
20 Institutions and cross-border
21 cooperation;

22 Whereas, the United States and
23 Philadelphia have greatly benefited from
24 the contributions of the sons and
25 daughters of Ireland; and

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2 Whereas, democratic
3 reunification of Ireland is the ultimate
4 roadmap to peace and prosperity for the
5 Irish nation and people.

6 Now, therefore, be it resolved,
7 by the Council of the City of
8 Philadelphia, that Council does hereby
9 call on the English and Irish governments
10 to take immediate steps necessary to
11 bring to fullness the promises of all
12 Ireland institutions called for and
13 envisioned by the Good Friday Agreement,
14 request the Irish government to formally
15 study the implications of a united
16 Ireland and outline steps fundamental to
17 restore the Irish nation and publicly
18 report their finding and plans, and
19 respectfully suggest that the Irish
20 government move without delay to further
21 the peaceful healing of the Irish nation
22 by granting duly elected Northern members
23 of Parliament "Speaking Rights" in the
24 Irish Parliament and expanding the voting
25 rights for the Irish President to the

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2 citizens of the six counties of Northern
3 Ireland.

4 Further resolved, that an
5 engrossed copy of this resolution be
6 presented to the Philadelphia Ancient
7 Order of Hibernians as evidence of the
8 sincere sentiments and recognition of
9 this legislative body.

10 Thank you for being here today.

11 (Applause.)

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
13 Chair recognizes Mr. Boyle for remarks.

14 MR. BOYLE: I'd just like to
15 thank everybody for being here. And
16 after 800 years, we're still looking for
17 our freedom. Eight hundred years is a
18 long time, and we're not going to wait
19 much longer, and I don't think I'm going
20 to be around that much longer, but the
21 same with a lot of other people here.

22 I'd like to thank the City of
23 Philadelphia, the Council. And what
24 better place, with the history of
25 Philadelphia, what better place should a

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2 resolution like this come from, with the
3 history that we have.

4 Thank you very much.

5 (Applause.)

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna:

7 Council will be at ease.

8 (Council at ease.)

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
10 Chair now recognizes Councilman Rizzo,
11 who will present a resolution honoring
12 Dr. Joseph Ruggiero on the occasion of
13 his retirement.

14 Councilman Rizzo is being
15 joined by Councilwoman Tasco and
16 Councilman O'Neill.

17 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Good
18 morning, everyone. Welcome back.

19 Recognizing, honoring,
20 celebrating and thanking Dr. Joseph F.
21 Ruggiero on the occasion of his
22 retirement as CEO of Self Help Movement,
23 Inc.

24 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Whereas,
25 Dr. Joseph Francis Ruggiero, Ph.D.,

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2 Mother of the Savior High School '62,
3 Antioch University, BA '74 and MA '81,
4 Pacific Western, Ph.D. '82, the only
5 child of the late John and Marie
6 Ruggiero, was born and raised in South
7 Philadelphia; and

8 Whereas, Dr. Ruggiero in 1967,
9 while a Probation Officer with the
10 Philadelphia Adult Department, founded
11 Self Help Movement, Inc. as an outpatient
12 drug rehabilitation program for
13 probationers and parolees; and

14 Whereas, Self Help Movement,
15 Inc. incorporated as a private non-profit
16 corporation in 1975, and that same year
17 Dr. Ruggiero, along with the Honorable
18 James Cavanaugh, petitioned the state to
19 lease a small residential center for drug
20 abusers on the grounds of the
21 Philadelphia State Hospital, known as
22 Byberry; and

23 Whereas, demands for
24 residential services increased through
25 the years, requiring Self Help Movement,

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2 Inc. to expand to its present-day
3 facility, a gated community campus on
4 Southampton Road in Northeast
5 Philadelphia with over 50 staff members;
6 and

7 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Whereas,
8 in April 2005, Self Help Movement, Inc.
9 was awarded "Program of the Year" by the
10 Pennsylvania Certification Board, and on
11 October 19th, 2008 was awarded a
12 Congressional Certificate of Special
13 Recognition for 41 years of helping
14 people recover from drug and alcohol
15 addiction;

16 Whereas, Dr. Ruggiero, in
17 addition to fulfilling his
18 responsibilities as CEO of Self Help
19 Movement, Inc., has authored two novels,
20 A Rose on Ninth Street and -- I got to
21 read this one -- Raggabooty, and is
22 currently working on a third book
23 entitled Crystal Umbrella;

24 Whereas, Dr. Ruggiero and his
25 wife, Bernadette Ann, have five children,

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2 eight grandchildren and happily reside in
3 Bristol, Pennsylvania.

4 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Be it
5 resolved, by the Council of the City of
6 Philadelphia, that it recognizes, honors,
7 celebrates and thanks Dr. Joseph F.
8 Ruggiero on the occasion of his
9 retirement as CEO of Self Help Movement,
10 Inc.

11 Further resolved, that an
12 engrossed copy of this resolution be
13 presented to the doctor further
14 evidencing the sincere admiration and
15 gratitude of this legislative body.

16 Doc, thanks for all the good
17 work you've done.

18 (Applause.)

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
20 Chair recognizes Dr. Ruggiero for
21 remarks.

22 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Madam
23 President, before we introduce Dr.
24 Ruggiero, would you allow me to introduce
25 one of our colleagues in government.

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2 Dr. Arthur Evans, the Director of the
3 Department of Behavioral Health and
4 Mental Retardation, has had a lot of
5 close relationships with the doctor and
6 would like to wish him well.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Very
8 well.

9 Doctor.

10 DR. EVANS: I'm pleased and
11 delighted to join with City Council in
12 recognizing this great man.

13 Researchers say that there's
14 three types of organizations, those that
15 are at the leading edge of a field, those
16 that wait to see where a field is going
17 and those who are laggards. Dr. Ruggiero
18 has been at the leading edge of our
19 field, and I think the City of
20 Philadelphia is indebted to him for his
21 leadership, for his vision, for his
22 commitment to people who have addictions.
23 There are literally thousands of people
24 in this city who, because of his work and
25 because of his leadership, are back with

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2 their families. They are living
3 productive lives in our communities, and
4 it's because of that work that we are so
5 grateful to you.

6 So Dr. Ruggiero, thank you very
7 much on behalf of my department and all
8 of the many lives that you have saved and
9 the work of your colleagues in saving
10 lives of the people who have addictive
11 disorders.

12 Thank you.

13 (Applause.)

14 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Also I'd
15 like to take the opportunity to
16 introduce -- and I think we'll all have
17 some interaction with -- Robert
18 Dellavella, Esquire, the new Director of
19 the Self Help Movement.

20 (Applause.)

21 MR. DELLAVELLA: Thank you,
22 President Verna, Councilman Rizzo,
23 Councilwoman Tasco and Councilman
24 O'Neill, a special thank you to my
25 Councilwoman, Joan Krajewski. I promise

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2 I'll be very brief, but you may need my
3 support in 2011, so no hooks yet.

4 Again, 1967 Dr. Ruggiero, as a
5 lofty member of the Probation Department,
6 worked closely with his probationers, but
7 had a vision that most of these men
8 coming before him had drug and alcohol
9 issues. So he wanted to do more. So
10 with the permission of the courts, he
11 reached out and started an outpatient
12 program to give these individuals drug
13 and alcohol treatment, and continued to
14 educate himself on drug and alcohol
15 issues.

16 As he was doing that, he
17 realized that's not enough. He then
18 asked the "powers that be" if he could
19 look for an inpatient program so that he
20 could further continue the treatment and
21 the care that these individuals so
22 desperately needed. So he founded, on a
23 farmhouse up on Southampton Road as part
24 of Byberry, the original Self Help
25 grounds, and with a cadre of volunteers

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2 and support staff, both in terms of staff
3 and renovations, started a small
4 inpatient program.

5 Again, realizing that's not
6 enough, he, through the work of
7 politicians and businesspeople and the
8 court system, moved to a much larger
9 campus on Southampton Road that now
10 comprises five acres and a whole host of
11 buildings that houses 226 men in
12 single-room inpatient program.

13 Dr. Ruggiero through this
14 process went on to get his Ph.D., learned
15 how best to treat this dreadful drug and
16 alcohol addiction that so curses our
17 society. He realized that with the lofty
18 position of Probationer Officer, he could
19 continue to do more. And I think his
20 legacy is simple, the thousands of men
21 that Self Help has serviced through the
22 years who now lead productive lives, who
23 now have families, their children, their
24 grandchildren, their great grandchildren
25 should all be thankful to the legacy of

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2 Dr. Ruggiero.

3 Thank you.

4 (Applause.)

5 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: And good

6 luck, Bob, to you and we'll have a

7 citation for you when you retire. But

8 that will be a long time.

9 Now, again, I want to thank the

10 doctor, and I'd like to present you, Dr.

11 Ruggiero, right now to say a few words.

12 And I'm proud to be able to say

13 I serve on his board. Thanks.

14 (Applause.)

15 DR. RUGGIERO: Council

16 President Verna, Councilwoman Tasco,

17 Councilman Rizzo, Councilman O'Neill and

18 distinguished members of Council, I thank

19 you very much for this great honor. I

20 really believe that I'm receiving more

21 honor than I deserve. It's only through

22 the grace of God and dedicated people in

23 the drug treatment field, our staff, that

24 I was able to accomplish some good things

25 for Self Help Movement and for this city.

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2 I want to thank Dr. Evans for
3 his great leadership in Philadelphia.

4 Philadelphia is the leading
5 drug and rehabilitation system, I
6 believe, in the country. Drugs and
7 alcohol, as many of you know, is a cancer
8 on earth. It has put many of our young
9 people in the grave. It is a disease
10 that must be overcome. Without the good
11 work of so many people in the field, this
12 is impossible.

13 We need drug therapy programs
14 throughout the City, outpatient and
15 inpatient. We need long-term treatment.
16 We need it. It is important. We are out
17 there saving lives for our children and
18 our grandchildren.

19 It has been a pleasure and an
20 honor to be able to serve and to help
21 rehabilitate men and women and to be able
22 to be in this field to help save lives.
23 I thank you for your support.

24 I want to thank my wife over
25 the years for her support and for putting

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2 up with me in going to school and keeping
3 late hours.

4 Thank you very much.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank
6 you, Doctor.

7 (Applause.)

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna:
9 Council will be at ease.

10 (Council at ease.)

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
12 next order of business is communications.
13 The Chair requests that the
14 Sergeant-At-Arms deliver the messages to
15 the Chief Clerk.

16 The Chief Clerk will please
17 read the messages from the Mayor.

18 CHIEF CLERK: To the President
19 and members of the Council of the City of
20 Philadelphia, I am pleased to advise you
21 that on December 23, 2009, January 13,
22 2010 and January 27, 2010, I signed the
23 remaining bills that were passed by
24 Council at its session on December 10,
25 2009 and all the bills that were passed

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2 by Council at its session on December 17,
3 2009, except Bill Nos. 090568-AA, 090777,
4 090841 and 090691-AA; and

5 I am transmitting for the
6 consideration of your honorable body a
7 resolution confirming the appointment of
8 Sister Mary Scullion as a member of the
9 board or Ethics; and

10 A resolution confirming the
11 appointment of Kenya Mann, Esquire as a
12 member of the Board of Ethics; and

13 A resolution confirming the
14 appointment of Nolan Atkinson as a member
15 of the Board of Ethics; and

16 An ordinance authorizing
17 transfers in appropriations for Fiscal
18 Year 2010 from the General Fund to the
19 General Fund, certain or all City
20 offices, departments, boards and
21 commissions; and

22 An ordinance authorizing
23 transfers in appropriations for Fiscal
24 Year 2010 within the Grants Revenue Fund
25 from the Director of Finance - Federal

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2 Stimulus Funding to certain or all City
3 offices, departments, boards and
4 commissions; and

5 An ordinance authorizing the
6 Bond Committee to sell bonds at public or
7 private negotiated sale, to provide funds
8 toward various capital municipal
9 purposes; and

10 An ordinance constituting the
11 Thirteenth Supplemental Ordinance to the
12 Restated General Water and Wastewater
13 Revenue Bond Ordinance of 1989; and

14 An ordinance authorizing,
15 generally, the continued issuance and
16 sale by the City of Philadelphia of Gas
17 Works Revenue Notes of the City; and

18 An ordinance amending Title 22
19 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled
20 "Public Employees Retirement Code," to
21 make Retirement and Survivorship Benefit
22 Option 4 available to members of
23 additional Plans, to allow the member to
24 designate his or her dependent
25 grandchildren to receive a survivorship

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2 benefit, and to allow benefits to be paid
3 to trusts for disabled grandchildren of
4 members; all under certain terms and
5 conditions.

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

9 I would ask the Chief Clerk to
10 read any other communications in his
11 possession.

12 CHIEF CLERK: I have none,
13 Madam President.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
15 you.

16 The next order of business is
17 the introduction of bills and
18 resolutions.

19 The Chair recognizes
20 Councilwoman Blackwell.

21 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
22 you, Madam President. Today I have no
23 bills or resolutions.

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

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2 The Chair recognizes Councilman
3 Greenlee.

4 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Thank
5 you, Madam President. I offer one
6 resolution, and I'd just like to make one
7 comment on it, please.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:
9 Certainly.

10 The Chief Clerk will please
11 read the title of the resolution.

12 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
13 designating the month of February as
14 "Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month in
15 Philadelphia."

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

18 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Thank
19 you, Madam President. I don't think I
20 have to speak on the merits of the
21 resolution, but I did want to mention
22 real fast that there's a group of people
23 standing up there in the back, and they
24 include Jeannine Lisitski, the Executive
25 Director at Women Against Abuse, and a

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2 number of members of the organization

3 that does such a great job for so many

4 people in this city, often unheralded.

5 But also just as important there among

6 that group is a group of teenagers who

7 are examples of why this resolution is so

8 important to the City of Philadelphia.

9 So saying that and thanking

10 them all for being here, I move for the

11 adoption of the resolution.

12 (Duly seconded.)

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It

14 has been moved and seconded that the

15 resolution be adopted.

16 All in favor will say aye.

17 (Aye.)

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Those

19 opposed?

20 (No response.)

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The

22 ayes have it and the resolution is

23 adopted.

24 And welcome. We welcome you to

25 our Council session.

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2 (Appause.)

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
4 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Krajewski.

5 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Thank
6 you, Madam President. I offer three
7 bills.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
9 Chair thanks the Councilwoman.
10 The Chief Clerk will please
11 read the title of the first bill.

12 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
13 authorizing transfers in appropriations
14 for Fiscal Year 2010 within the Grants
15 Revenue Fund.

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

19 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
20 authorizing transfers in appropriations
21 for Fiscal Year 2010 from the General
22 Fund.

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

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2 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
3 to amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by
4 changing the zoning designations of
5 certain areas of land located within an
6 area bounded by Marsden Street,
7 Friendship Street, Keystone Street, and
8 Tyson Avenue.

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

12 The Chair recognizes Councilman
13 Kenney.

14 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you,
15 Madam President. I offer one resolution.

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERA: The
17 Chief Clerk will please read the title of
18 the resolution.

19 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
20 authorizing City Council's Committee on
21 Legislative Oversight to hold public
22 hearings to investigate how the
23 Philadelphia International Airport can
24 expand its international flight options
25 to position the City to become more

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2 competitive in serving area residents.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The

4 Chair recognizes Councilman Kenney.

5 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: I move for

6 the 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 please

12 indicate by saying aye.

13 (Aye.)

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Those

15 opposed?

16 (No response.)

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The

18 ayes have it and the resolution will be

19 referred to the appropriate committee.

20 The Chair recognizes

21 Councilwoman Tasco.

22 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Thank you,

23 Madam President. I offer four

24 resolutions on your behalf, two

25 resolutions on my behalf and three bills

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2 from the Administration. Madam

3 President, I'd like to speak on the bill

4 relative to the census.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

6 Chief Clerk will please read the title of

7 the first bill.

8 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance

9 authorizing the Bond Committee to sell

10 bonds at public or private negotiated

11 sale, to provide funds toward various

12 capital municipal purposes.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

14 bill will be referred to the appropriate

15 committee.

16 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance

17 constituting the Thirteenth Supplemental

18 Ordinance to the Restated General Water

19 and Wastewater Revenue Bond Ordinance of

20 1989.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This

22 bill will also be referred to the

23 appropriate committee.

24 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance

25 authorizing, generally, the continued

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2 issuance and sale by the City of

3 Philadelphia of Gas Works Revenue Notes

4 of the City.

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

8 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
9 recognizing and acknowledging Delta Sigma
10 Theta Sorority on the occasion of the
11 Annual Delta Day in Philadelphia.

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

14 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: I move for
15 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 please say
21 aye.

22 (Aye.)

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
24 opposed?

25 (No response.)

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

5 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
6 calling upon the Pennsylvania General
7 Assembly to amend the election law so
8 that prisoners are counted as residents
9 of the county in which they reside prior
10 to incarceration.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
12 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Tasco.

13 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: Thank you,
14 Madam President. Today marks the first
15 Council session of a new decade. With
16 each new decade, we are charged under our
17 federal constitution to complete a census
18 of our country's population. From this
19 perspective, we have already seen various
20 outreach and education efforts to inform
21 our constituents of the importance of
22 completing Census forms so that the
23 population of our city will be accurately
24 counted.

25 Through an accurate accounting,

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2 we can ensure that Philadelphia receives
3 the vital resources needed to benefit and
4 enhance our city, and these resources are
5 determined by the number of people in the
6 City through the federal government.

7 However, in our push to make
8 sure that every resident is counted, one
9 population is not counted accurately, and
10 this problem dilutes the voting power of
11 all Philadelphians. Under Title 25 of
12 the Pennsylvania Code, no individual who
13 is confined in a penal institution shall
14 be deemed a resident of the election
15 district where the institution is
16 located. The individual shall be deemed
17 to reside where the individual was last
18 registered before being confined in the
19 penal institution, or if there was no
20 registration prior to confinement, the
21 individual shall be deemed to reside at
22 the last known address before
23 confinement. Yet, Philadelphians who are
24 incarcerated outside of Philadelphia are
25 included in the Census count of that

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2 county.

3 According to a study by the
4 Prison Policy Initiative, eight of
5 Pennsylvania's state house districts only
6 meet federal minimum population
7 requirements because the state treats
8 prisoners as residents of the district.
9 As a result, the Census count is being
10 used incorrectly to define the
11 legislative district of our Commonwealth.

12 To correct this problem, I am
13 calling on our General Assembly to amend
14 state election law so that prisoners are
15 counted as residents of the county in
16 which they reside prior to incarceration
17 rather than as residents of the county in
18 which they are detained.

19 I am also calling on the
20 Federal Census Bureau to change its
21 method for counting prisoners so that
22 prisoners are recorded as living at their
23 last known address prior to
24 incarceration.

25 Throughout this year, there

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2 will be a strong push to make sure that
3 our constituents complete their Census
4 forms so that they will be counted. We
5 should also push to make sure that all
6 Philadelphians are counted accurately.

7 Thank you very much.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank
9 you. Councilwoman --

10 COUNCILWOMAN TASCIO: I move for
11 the adoption of the resolution.

12 (Duly seconded.)

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

16 All in favor will indicate by
17 saying aye.

18 (Aye.)

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Those
20 opposed?

21 (No response.)

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
23 ayes have it and the resolution is
24 adopted.

25 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution

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2 confirming the appointment of Sister Mary
3 Scullion as a member of the Board of
4 Ethics.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: This
6 resolution will be referred to the
7 appropriate committee.

8 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
9 confirming the appointment of Kenya Mann,
10 Esquire as a member of the Board of
11 Ethics.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: This
13 will also be referred to the appropriate
14 committee.

15 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
16 confirming the appointment of Nolan
17 Atkinson as a member of the Board of
18 Ethics.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: This
20 resolution will be referred to the
21 appropriate committee.

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

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2 Philadelphia, without consideration,
3 deeds conveying conditional fee simple
4 title to certain City-owned lots or
5 pieces of ground, situate in the
6 Forty-Eighth Ward of the City of
7 Philadelphia.

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

10 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: I move for
11 the adoption of the resolution.

12 (Duly seconded.)

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

16 All in favor will say aye.

17 (Aye.)

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
19 opposed?

20 (No response.)

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

24 The Chair recognizes
25 Councilwoman Miller.

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2 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Thank
3 you, Madam President. Today I offer two
4 resolutions. One of the resolutions is
5 co-sponsored by Councilmembers Clarke,
6 Tasco, Jones, Reynolds Brown and Sanchez.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank
8 you.

9 The Chief Clerk will please
10 read the title of the first resolution.

11 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
12 recognizing, honoring and celebrating
13 Patricia Redmond - as Presbyterian
14 Children Village's Employee of the Year.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
16 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Miller.

17 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: I move
18 for 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 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 CHIEF 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, without consideration,
12 deeds conveying conditional fee simple
13 title to certain City-owned lots or
14 pieces of ground with the buildings and
15 improvements thereon, situate in the
16 Seventeenth Ward of the City of
17 Philadelphia.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna:
19 Again, the Chair recognizes Councilwoman
20 Miller.

21 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: I move
22 for the adoption of the resolution.

23 (Duly seconded.)

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

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2 the resolution be adopted.

3 All in favor will indicate by
4 saying aye.

5 (Aye.)

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Those
7 opposed?

8 (No response.)

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
10 ayes have it and the resolution is
11 adopted.

12 The Chair recognizes
13 Councilwoman Sanchez.

14 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: Thank
15 you, Madam President. I have three
16 resolutions, and I'd like to speak on the
17 one on immigration.

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

21 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
22 recognizing the significant contribution
23 of immigrants to the City of Philadelphia
24 and urging the United States Congress to
25 enact comprehensive immigration reform.

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
3 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Sanchez.

4 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: Thank
5 you, Madam President. This resolution is
6 co-sponsored by my colleagues Jim Kenney
7 and Councilwoman Blackwell. As we all
8 know, Councilman Kenney has been a long
9 advocate for new immigrants in the City
10 of Philadelphia. I'd like to thank him
11 and Councilwoman Blackwell, through her
12 work for the Mayor's Commission on
13 African American and Caribbean Affairs.

14 Joining us this morning in
15 Council Chambers are members of the
16 Pennsylvania Immigration and Citizenship
17 Coalition; The New Sanctuary Movement;
18 JUNTOS; CATA, the former Farm Workers
19 Committee; Anti-Defamation League; the
20 Irish Immigration Center of Philadelphia;
21 Demogracia USA; members of the Catholic
22 community; obviously members of the
23 Mayor's Commission on African American
24 and Caribbean Affairs; the Montgomery
25 County Latino Collaborative; HIAS; the

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2 Latino Partnership in the statewide

3 Latino Coalition; and my friend, David

4 Oh, who is a Board member of the Welcome

5 Center.

6 This month Congressman Luis

7 Gutierrez, a personal friend and mentor

8 of mine, who also once served on City

9 Council, sponsored a legislative

10 initiative which will give us

11 comprehensive immigration reform in this

12 country. We are concerned by letters

13 being circulated, signed by some

14 democrats, around limiting the discussion

15 of any legislation not to create a

16 pathway to citizenship for the 12 million

17 immigrants, hard-working immigrants, that

18 live in this country, hundreds of

19 thousands of them in the Delaware Valley

20 area.

21 As a daughter of a migrant

22 worker, I can attest to the hard work

23 that these immigrants do in our country

24 and the invaluable contributions that

25 they make to our growth and our economy.

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2 Children are being separated from their
3 parents -- U.S.-born children are being
4 separated from their parents with current
5 raids by ICE and immigration standards.

6 People are not illegal. We
7 policyholders have it within our
8 authority to change this and create a
9 pathway for these taxpaying, contributing
10 immigrants who live in our country and in
11 this nation.

12 So I ask my colleagues to
13 support this and join what is a beginning
14 of a movement. I had the honor to
15 participate in a rally recently in
16 standing-room only in South Philadelphia
17 where we saw hundreds of people from all
18 walks of life join in what we are
19 projecting to be a movement, a national
20 movement, to ensure that this year, this
21 year, we bring closure to this very
22 important issue. No better place than
23 the birth place of America than here in
24 Philadelphia for us to stand and unite
25 with our local community and with our

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2 country to say it is time we put this to
3 an end.

4 So I ask that our Philadelphia
5 Congressional Delegation take a
6 leadership role in supporting Congressman
7 Luis Gutierrez's call for immigration
8 reform.

9 Thank you.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
11 you. Councilwoman, move for the
12 adoption.

13 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: 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

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2 adopted.

3 (Applause.)

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
5 Chief Clerk will please read the title of
6 the second resolution.

7 CHIEF CLERK: 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, without consideration,
12 deeds conveying conditional fee simple
13 title to certain City-owned lots or
14 pieces of ground, situate in the
15 Forty-Third Ward of the City of
16 Philadelphia.

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

19 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: I move
20 for the adoption 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.

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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 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
10 calling on the Pennsylvania Congressional
11 Delegation to support the Student Aid and
12 Fiscal Responsibility Act.

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

15 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: I move
16 for the adoption of the resolution.

17 (Duly seconded.)

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

21 All in favor will indicate by
22 saying aye.

23 (Aye.)

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Those
25 opposed?

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2 (No response.)

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

6 The Chair recognizes Councilman
7 Green.

8 COUNCILMAN GREEN: Thank you,
9 Madam Chair. I offer one bill on behalf
10 of the Administration.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank
12 you.

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

15 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
16 amending Title 22 of The Philadelphia
17 Code by amending Sections 22-306, 22-701
18 and 22-702 to make Retirement and
19 Survivorship Benefit Option 4 available
20 to members of additional Plans.

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

24 The Chair recognizes Councilman
25 Jones.

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2 COUNCILMAN JONES: Thank you,
3 Madam President. I have two resolutions,
4 one on behalf of the Administration.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
6 you.

7 The Chief Clerk will please
8 read the title of the first resolution.

9 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
10 urging the Secretary of the Pennsylvania
11 Department of Public Welfare to take
12 immediate action to draw down all of the
13 funds allotted to Pennsylvania under the
14 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

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

17 COUNCILMAN JONES: 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 seconded that the
23 resolution be adopted.

24 All in favor will say 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 is
7 adopted.

8 CHIEF 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, without consideration,
13 deeds conveying conditional fee simple
14 title to certain City-owned lots or
15 pieces of ground, situate in the Fourth
16 Ward of the City of Philadelphia.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna:
18 Again, the Chair recognizes Councilman
19 Jones.

20 COUNCILMAN JONES: I move for
21 the adoption.

22 (Duly seconded.)

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It
24 has been moved and seconded that the
25 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 Chair recognizes Councilman
11 Goode.

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

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank
16 you.

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

19 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
20 amending Chapter 19-200 of The
21 Philadelphia Code, entitled "City Funds -
22 Deposits, Investments, Disbursements," by
23 amending Section 19-201, entitled "City
24 Depositories," by authorizing the City
25 Treasurer to deposit funds in Advance

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2 Bank.

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

6 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
7 amending Section 19-2604 of The
8 Philadelphia Code, relating to tax rates
9 and credits for the business privilege
10 tax, by amending the credit for
11 contributions to community development
12 corporations.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: This
14 bill will also be referred to the
15 appropriate committee.

16 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
17 providing for the submission to the
18 qualified electors of the City of
19 Philadelphia of the proposal set forth in
20 a Resolution approved by Council
21 proposing an amendment of the
22 Philadelphia Home Rule Charter relating
23 to the election of members of the
24 Council.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: This

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2 bill will be referred to the appropriate
3 committee.

4 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
5 proposing an amendment to the
6 Philadelphia Home Rule Charter relating
7 to the election of members of the
8 Council.

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
10 resolution will be referred to the
11 appropriate committee.

12 Councilwoman Brown.

13 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Thank you,
14 Madam President. Today I offer one bill
15 and two resolutions, and I'd like to
16 speak on the bill briefly.

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

20 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Madam
21 President, allow me to correct the
22 record. One bill -- two bills and one
23 resolution. Thank you.

24 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
25 amending Chapter 6-800 of The

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2 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Lead Paint
3 Disclosure," to require a certification
4 that a property is lead free or lead safe
5 before it may be rented to a tenant.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
7 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Brown.

8 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Thank you,
9 Madam President. I'd like to state that
10 last year, 2009, there were 2,500 new
11 reported cases of children being poisoned
12 by lead, and what we know medically is
13 that when children come in contact with
14 lead, it leads to permanent, irreversible
15 damage.

16 While our city has made
17 enormous progress and invested a lot of
18 financial dollars, we still have a
19 problem. Currently, the City Code allows
20 us to reveal disclosure that there's
21 lead. We believe it's now time to take
22 aggressive action to require
23 certification that rental properties are
24 lead free or lead safe. And so with the
25 support and participation of the

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2 Childhood Lead Poisoning Task Force that
3 has also been meeting for the past year,
4 which includes stakeholders like PCCY,
5 representatives from the Tenant Union, a
6 Washington, DC representative, where this
7 action has already taken place, L&I, the
8 Health Department and Community Legal
9 Services, we are hopeful that we can move
10 the needle and move to a place where 95
11 percent of our city's housing stock will
12 ultimately be lead free or lead safe.

13 Thank you, Madam President.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Move
15 for the adoption.

16 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: I move for
17 the adoption.

18 (Duly seconded.)

19 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: This is a
20 bill, Madam President.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Oh,
22 I'm sorry. It's a bill. The bill will
23 be referred to the appropriate committee.

24 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
25 amending Title 6 of The Philadelphia

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2 Code, entitled "Health Code," by defining
3 "Supermarkets" and excluding Supermarkets
4 from the definition of Chain Restaurants,
5 thereby exempting Supermarkets from menu
6 labeling requirements applicable to Chain
7 Restaurants.

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

11 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
12 honoring the African American Children's
13 Book Project on the occasion of the
14 Annual African American Children's Book
15 Fair.

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

18 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Thank you,
19 Madam President. I move for the
20 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 indicate by

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2 saying aye.

3 (Aye.)

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
5 opposed?

6 (No response.)

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

10 The Chair recognizes Councilman
11 DiCicco.

12 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Thank you,
13 Madam President. I offer two bills and
14 two resolutions. One resolution is
15 honoring Peggy Amsterdam, and I would ask
16 for a standing resolution.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
18 you.

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

21 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
22 amending Title 14 of The Philadelphia
23 Code, entitled "Zoning and Planning," by
24 adding special provisions regulating
25 outdoor advertising signs in designated

1 1/28/10 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS

2 commercial advertising districts.

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

6 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
7 amending Section 14-1638, entitled
8 "Central Delaware Riverfront Overlay
9 District."

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

13 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
14 authorizing the Commissioner of Public
15 Property to execute and deliver to the
16 Redevelopment Authority of the City of
17 Philadelphia, without consideration,
18 deeds conveying conditional fee simple
19 title to certain City-owned lots or
20 pieces of ground, situate in the
21 Twenty-Fifth Ward of the City of
22 Philadelphia.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
24 Chair recognizes Councilman DiCicco.

25 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Thank you,

1 1/28/10 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS

2 Madam President. I move for the adoption
3 of the 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 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
17 honoring and celebrating the life and
18 accomplishments of Peggy Amsterdam.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
20 Chair recognizes Councilman DiCicco.

21 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Thank you,
22 Madam President. I ask for a standing
23 resolution.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank
25 you.

1 1/28/10 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS

2 Those standing will be voting
3 in favor of the adoption of the
4 resolution.

5 (All Councilmembers standing.)

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
7 resolution is adopted.

8 The Chair recognizes Councilman
9 O'Neill.

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

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank
14 you.

15 The Chair recognizes Councilman
16 Clarke.

17 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Thank you,
18 Madam President. I have one bill and one
19 resolution.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
21 Chief Clerk will please read the title of
22 the bill.

23 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
24 authorizing Charles Weiner to construct,
25 own and maintain a building encroachment

1 1/28/10 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS

2 at 3653 Germantown Avenue.

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

6 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
7 approving the redevelopment contract and
8 disposition supplement of the
9 Redevelopment Authority of the City of
10 Philadelphia for the redevelopment and
11 urban renewal of a portion of the Model
12 Cities Urban Renewal Area, designated as
13 Parcel No. 683.

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

16 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: 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?

1 1/28/10 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS

2 (No response.)

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

6 The Chair recognizes Councilman
7 Kelly.

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

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank
12 you.

13 The Chair recognizes Councilman
14 Rizzo.

15 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Madam
16 President, one resolution.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank
18 you.

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

21 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
22 recognizing, honoring, celebrating, and
23 thanking Robert Capanna on the occasion
24 of his retirement as Executive Director
25 of Settlement Music School.

1 1/28/10 - STATED - SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

3 Chair recognizes Councilman Rizzo.

4 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Madam

5 President, I move for the adoption of

6 this 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 indicate by

12 saying aye.

13 (Aye.)

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those

15 opposed?

16 (No response.)

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

18 ayes have it and the resolution is

19 adopted.

20 There are no reports from

21 committees. Therefore, the next order of

22 business is special business.

23 Council will proceed under a

24 special order of business, a resolution

25 re-calling Bill No. 090568-AA.

1 1/28/10 - STATED - SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

2 The Chair recognizes Councilman
3 Kenney.

4 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you,
5 Madam President. I offer one resolution,
6 and because this resolution was not
7 circulated yesterday, I move that the
8 rules of Council be suspended so as to
9 permit consideration of the resolution at
10 this time.

11 (Duly seconded.)

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
13 has been moved and properly seconded that
14 the rules of Council be suspended to
15 permit consideration of Councilman
16 Kenney's resolution.

17 All in favor will indicate by
18 saying aye.

19 (Aye.)

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
21 opposed?

22 (No response.)

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
24 ayes have it.

25 The Clerk will please read the

1 1/28/10 - STATED - SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

2 title of the resolution.

3 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
4 requesting the Mayor to return to Council
5 Bill No. 090568-AA for the purpose of
6 reconsideration by the Council of the
7 vote by which said bill passed Council.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:
9 Again, the Chair recognizes Councilman
10 Kenney.

11 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you,
12 Madam President. I move the adoption of
13 the resolution.

14 (Duly seconded.)

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

18 All in favor will say aye.

19 (Aye.)

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
21 opposed?

22 (No response.)

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
24 ayes have it and the resolution has been
25 passed.

1 1/28/10 - STATED - SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

2 The Clerk will please read the
3 letter from the Mayor.

4 CHIEF CLERK: To the President
5 and members of the Council of the City of
6 Philadelphia, I am returning herewith, as
7 requested by your resolution adopted
8 January 28, 2010, Bill No. 090568-AA,
9 entitled "An ordinance amending Title 4
10 of The Philadelphia Code by requiring the
11 periodic inspection of the exterior walls
12 and appurtenances of certain buildings,
13 the filing of reports of such
14 inspections, and the repair and
15 maintenance of certain conditions
16 discovered during such inspections, all
17 under certain terms and conditions," for
18 the purpose of reconsideration by the
19 Council of the vote by which said bill
20 passed Council.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
22 Chair again recognizes Councilman Kenney.

23 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: For what
24 purpose, Madam President?

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: I'm

1 1/28/10 - STATED - SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

2 sorry. For a motion that Council
3 reconsider the vote by which Bill No.
4 090568-AA was passed.

5 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: So moved,
6 Madam President.

7 (Duly seconded.)

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: All
9 in favor please signify by saying aye.

10 (Aye.)

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
12 opposed?

13 (No response.)

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
15 ayes have it. A majority of all members
16 having voted in the affirmative, the
17 motion carries and the vote by which Bill
18 No. 090568-AA was passed has been
19 reconsidered.

20 The Chair recognizes Councilman
21 Kenney for an amendment.

22 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: I'm looking
23 for the amendment, Madam President.

24 I move the adoption of the
25 amendment, Madam President.

1 1/28/10 - STATED - SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

2 (Duly seconded.)

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
4 has been moved and properly seconded that
5 the amendment to Bill No. 090568-AA be
6 adopted.

7 All in favor will indicate 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 Bill No. 090568-AA has
15 been amended. This bill will be placed
16 on our Final Passage Calendar for our
17 next session of Council.

18 We will now consider a
19 resolution re-calling Bill No. 090777,
20 and the Chair recognizes Councilwoman
21 Sanchez.

22 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: Thank
23 you, Madam President. I offer one
24 resolution, and because this resolution
25 was not circulated yesterday, I move that

1 1/28/10 - STATED - SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

2 the rules of Council be suspended to
3 permit consideration of the resolution at
4 this time.

5 (Duly seconded.)

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
7 has been moved and seconded that the
8 rules of Council be suspended to permit
9 consideration of Councilwoman Sanchez's
10 resolution.

11 All in favor will indicate by
12 saying aye.

13 (Aye.)

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
15 opposed?

16 (No response.)

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
18 ayes have it, and the Clerk will please
19 read the title of the resolution.

20 (Pause.)

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: We
22 will return to Councilwoman Sanchez's
23 resolution. Rather than just be kept
24 waiting, I think we ought to proceed with
25 the Calendar as we have it.

1 1/28/10 - STATED - SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

2 We will now consider a
3 resolution re-calling Bill No. 090691-AA.

4 At this time, the Chair
5 recognizes Councilman Clarke.

6 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Thank you,
7 Madam President. I offer one resolution,
8 and because this resolution was not
9 circulated yesterday, I move that the
10 rules of Council be suspended to permit
11 consideration at this time.

12 (Duly seconded.)

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
14 has been moved and properly seconded that
15 the rules of Council be suspended to
16 permit consideration of Councilman
17 Clarke's resolution. All in favor will
18 indicate by saying aye.

19 (Aye.)

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
21 opposed?

22 (No response.)

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
24 ayes have it, and the Chief Clerk will
25 please read the title of the resolution.

1 1/28/10 - STATED - SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

2 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
3 requesting the Mayor to return to Council
4 Bill No. 090691-AA for the purpose of
5 reconsideration of the vote by which said
6 bill passed Council.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:
8 Again, the Chair recognizes Councilman
9 Clarke.

10 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Madam
11 President, I move the adoption of the
12 resolution.

13 (Duly seconded.)

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

17 All in favor will indicate by
18 saying aye.

19 (Aye.)

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
21 opposed?

22 (No response.)

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

1 1/28/10 - STATED - SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

2 The Chief Clerk will please

3 read the letter from the Mayor.

4 CHIEF CLERK: To the President

5 and members of the Council of the City of

6 Philadelphia, I am returning herewith, as

7 requested by your resolution adopted

8 January 28, 2010, Bill No. 090691-AA,

9 entitled "An ordinance amending Section

10 9-605 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled

11 'Towing,' and Section 12-2405, entitled

12 'Removal or Immobilization of Parked

13 Vehicles; Notice,' to prohibit the towing

14 of vehicles identified as reported stolen

15 unless an attempt has been made by the

16 Police to give the vehicle owner an

17 opportunity to recover the vehicle before

18 the vehicle is towed," for the purpose of

19 reconsideration by the Council of the

20 vote by which said bill passed Council.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERA: The

22 Chair recognizes Councilman Clarke for a

23 motion that Council reconsider the vote

24 by which Bill No. 090691-AA was passed.

25 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: So moved,

1 1/28/10 - STATED - SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

2 Madam President.

3 (Duly seconded.)

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: All

5 in favor will signify by saying aye.

6 (Aye.)

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those

8 opposed?

9 (No response.)

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

11 ayes have it. A majority of all members

12 having voted in the affirmative, the

13 motion carries and the vote by which Bill

14 No. 090691-AA was passed has been

15 reconsidered.

16 The Chair recognizes Councilman

17 Clarke.

18 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Thank you,

19 Madam President. Madam President, I

20 offer an amendment to Bill No. 090691-AA.

21 A copy of this amendment has been

22 circulated to all members of Council.

23 Before I move for the adoption,

24 essentially this amendment will set an

25 effective date for the towing bill. The

1 1/28/10 - STATED - SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

2 earlier version didn't have an effective
3 date. The effective date will be 30 days
4 after the passage of the bill. It will
5 give time to the Administration to work
6 on mechanisms in order to adopt the
7 program.

8 So with that, Madam President,
9 I move for the adoption of the amendment.

10 (Duly seconded.)

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
12 has been moved and properly seconded that
13 the amendment to Bill No. 090691-AA be
14 adopted.

15 All in favor will indicate by
16 saying aye.

17 (Aye.)

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
19 opposed?

20 (No response.)

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
22 ayes have it and Bill No. 090691-AA has
23 been amended. This bill will be placed
24 on the Final Passage Calendar for our
25 next session of Council.

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2 You're going to have to bear
3 with me a moment. I think Councilwoman
4 Sanchez is waiting for her amendments.

5 (Pause.)

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: So
7 there's no confusion about what we're
8 doing, I think we ought to start from the
9 beginning.

10 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: That's
11 fine. Thank you, Madam President.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
13 you.

14 We will now consider a
15 resolution re-calling Bill No. 090777.

16 The Chair now recognizes
17 Councilwoman Sanchez.

18 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: Thank
19 you, Madam President. I will try this
20 again.

21 I offer a resolution, and
22 because this resolution was not
23 circulated, I move that the rules of
24 Council be suspended to allow
25 consideration at this time.

1 1/28/10 - STATED - SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

2 (Duly seconded.)

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
4 has been moved and properly seconded that
5 the rules of Council be suspended to
6 permit consideration of Councilwoman
7 Sanchez's resolution.

8 All in favor will indicate by
9 saying aye.

10 (Aye.)

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
12 opposed?

13 (No response.)

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
15 ayes have it, and the Clerk will please
16 read the title of the resolution.

17 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
18 requesting the Mayor to return to Council
19 Bill No. 090777 for the purpose of
20 reconsideration by the Council of the
21 vote by which said bill passed Council.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
23 Chair again recognizes Councilwoman
24 Sanchez.

25 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: I move

1 1/28/10 - STATED - SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

2 for the 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 indicate 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 has been
15 adopted.

16 The Clerk will please read the
17 letter from the Mayor.

18 CHIEF CLERK: To the President
19 and members of the Council of the City of
20 Philadelphia, I am returning herewith, as
21 requested by your resolution adopted
22 January 28, 2010, Bill No. 090777,
23 entitled "An ordinance amending Title 9
24 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled
25 'Regulation of Businesses, Trades and

1 1/28/10 - STATED - SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

2 Professions,' to eliminate and revise
3 various licensing and enforcement
4 requirements and to provide fees for
5 various licenses and permits, and to make
6 technical changes, all under certain
7 terms and conditions," for the purpose of
8 reconsideration of the Council by which
9 said bill passed Council.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
11 you.

12 The Chair recognizes
13 Councilwoman Sanchez for a motion that
14 Council reconsider the vote by which Bill
15 No. 090777 was passed.

16 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: So
17 moved, Madam President.

18 (Duly seconded.)

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: All
20 in favor will please indicate by saying
21 aye.

22 (Aye.)

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
24 opposed?

25 (No response.)

1 1/28/10 - STATED - SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
3 ayes have it. A majority of all members
4 having voted in the affirmative, the
5 motion carries and the vote by which Bill
6 No. 090777 was passed has been
7 reconsidered.

8 The Chair recognizes
9 Councilwoman Sanchez.

10 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: Thank
11 you, Madam President. I offer an
12 amendment to Bill No. 090777. A copy of
13 the amendment has been circulated to all
14 the members of Council and I move for the
15 adoption of the amendment.

16 (Duly seconded.)

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
18 has been moved and properly seconded that
19 the amendment to Bill No. 090777 be
20 adopted.

21 All in favor will indicate by
22 saying aye.

23 (Aye.)

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
25 opposed?

1 1/28/10 - STATED - SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

2 (No response.)

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
4 ayes have it and Bill No. 090777 has been
5 adopted. This bill will be placed on our
6 Final Passage Calendar for our next
7 session of Council.

8 We will now consider a
9 resolution re-calling Bill No. 090841.

10 The Chair again recognizes
11 Councilwoman Sanchez.

12 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: Thank
13 you, Madam President. I offer one
14 resolution, and because the resolution
15 was not circulated yesterday, I move that
16 the rules of Council be suspended to
17 permit consideration at this time.

18 (Duly seconded.)

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
20 has been moved and properly seconded that
21 the rules of Council be suspended to
22 permit consideration of Councilwoman
23 Sanchez's resolution.

24 All in favor will indicate by
25 saying aye.

1 1/28/10 - STATED - SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

2 (Aye.)

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
4 opposed?

5 (No response.)

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
7 ayes have it, and the Chief Clerk will
8 please read the title of the resolution.

9 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
10 requesting the Mayor to return to Council
11 Bill No. 090841 for the purpose of
12 reconsideration by the Council of the
13 vote by which said bill passed Council.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
15 Chair again recognizes Councilwoman
16 Sanchez.

17 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: I move
18 for 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.)

1 1/28/10 - STATED - SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
3 opposed?

4 (No response.)

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
6 ayes have it and the resolution has been
7 passed.

8 The Chief Clerk will please
9 read the letter from the Mayor.

10 CHIEF CLERK: To the President
11 and members of the Council of the City of
12 Philadelphia, I am returning herewith, as
13 requested by your resolution adopted
14 January 28, 2010, Bill No. 090841,
15 entitled "An ordinance amending Title 4
16 of The Philadelphia Code by adopting the
17 '2009 Pennsylvania Uniformed Construction
18 Code' through the adoption of the 2009
19 edition of certain International Codes as
20 published by the International Code
21 Council, with amendments thereto, all
22 under certain terms and conditions," for
23 the purpose of reconsideration by the
24 Council of the vote by which said bill
25 passed Council.

1 1/28/10 - STATED - SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
3 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Sanchez for
4 a motion that Council reconsider the vote
5 by which Bill No. 090841 was passed.

6 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: So
7 moved.

8 (Duly seconded.)

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: All
10 in favor will indicate by saying aye.

11 (Aye.)

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
13 opposed?

14 (No response.)

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
16 ayes have it. A majority of all members
17 having voted in the affirmative, the
18 motion carries and the vote by which Bill
19 No. 090841 was passed has been
20 reconsidered.

21 The Chair recognizes
22 Councilwoman Sanchez.

23 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: Thank
24 you, Madam President. I offer an
25 amendment to Bill No. 090841. A copy of

1 1/28/10 - STATED - SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

2 this amendment has been circulated and I
3 move for the adoption of the amendment.

4 (Duly seconded.)

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
6 has been moved and properly seconded that
7 the amendment to Bill No. 090841 be
8 adopted.

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

11 (Aye.)

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
13 opposed?

14 (No response.)

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
16 ayes have it and Bill No. 090841 has been
17 amended. This bill will be placed on the
18 Final Passage Calendar for our next
19 session of Council.

20 We now will consider a
21 resolution re-calling Bill No. 090691 --
22 I'm sorry.

23 The next order of business is
24 the consideration of the Calendar. There
25 are no bills on the First Reading

1 1/28/10 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 Calendar for today. At this time, the
3 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Tasco for
4 the purpose of calling up bills on the
5 Second Reading and Final Passage
6 Calendar.

7 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Thank you,
8 Madam President. Bill Nos. 090844 and
9 090467 are being called up for Second
10 Reading and Final Passage Calendar today.
11 All other bills are being held.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
13 you.

14 The Chief Clerk will please
15 read the title of Bill No. 090844.

16 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
17 authorizing Joseph Vento, owner of Geno's
18 Steaks, to legalize various existing
19 sidewalk encroachments located on a
20 triangular parcel bounded on two sides by
21 Ninth Street and East Passyunk Avenue.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
23 you.

24 This bill having been read on
25 two different days, the question now is

1 1/28/10 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 shall the bill pass finally.

3 The Chief Clerk will please
4 call the roll.

5 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
6 Blackwell.

7 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

8 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
9 Clarke.

10 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

11 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
12 DiCicco.

13 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Si.

14 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Goode.

15 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

16 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Green.

17 COUNCILMAN GREEN: Aye.

18 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman

19 Greenlee.

20 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Aye.

21 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Jones.

22 COUNCILMAN JONES: Aye.

23 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.

24 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.

25 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman

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2 Kenney.

3 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Si.

4 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman

5 Krajewski.

6 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

7 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman

8 Miller.

9 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.

10 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman

11 O'Neill.

12 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.

13 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman

14 Reynolds Brown.

15 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.

16 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.

17 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

18 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman

19 Sanchez.

20 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: Aye.

21 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman

22 Tasco.

23 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

24 CHIEF CLERK: Council President

25 Verna.

1 1/28/10 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

3 The ayes are 17; the nays are
4 zero. A majority of all members having
5 voted in the affirmative, the bill
6 passes.

7 We will now consider Bill No.
8 090467.

9 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
10 amending Title 19 of The Philadelphia
11 Code, entitled "Finance, Taxes and
12 Collections," by adding a new Chapter
13 providing for the recovery of enhanced
14 monetary damages from persons who file
15 false or fraudulent claims with the City.

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

20 The Chief Clerk will please
21 call the roll.

22 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
23 Blackwell.

24 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

25 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman

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2 Clarke.
3 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.
4 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
5 DiCicco.
6 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.
7 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Goode.
8 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
9 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Green.
10 COUNCILMAN GREEN: Aye.
11 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
12 Greenlee.
13 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Aye.
14 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Jones.
15 COUNCILMAN JONES: Aye.
16 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.
17 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.
18 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
19 Kenney.
20 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
21 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
22 Krajewski.
23 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
24 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
25 Miller.

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2 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.

3 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman

4 O'Neill.

5 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.

6 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman

7 Reynolds Brown.

8 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.

9 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.

10 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

11 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman

12 Sanchez.

13 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: Aye.

14 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman

15 Tasco.

16 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

17 CHIEF CLERK: Council President

18 Verna.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

20 The ayes are 17; the nays are

21 zero. A majority of all members having

22 voted in the affirmative, the bill

23 passes.

24 That completes our Calendar for

25 today.

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2 Are there speeches on the part
3 of the minority?

4 (No response.)

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Are
6 there speeches on the part of the
7 majority?

8 The Chair recognizes Councilman
9 Jones.

10 COUNCILMAN JONES: Thank you,
11 Madam President. Last night I had the
12 honor and privilege of attending the
13 first State of the Union address by
14 President Barack Obama. He talked about
15 many of his public policy agenda items,
16 and it was fascinating to see how
17 prominently in some cases Philadelphia
18 and Pennsylvania was mentioned.

19 Recently, my colleague and
20 Chair of the Fiscal Stability Committee,
21 Councilman Clarke, held hearings dealing
22 with the impact of the stimulus dollars
23 coming from the federal government and an
24 effort for Philadelphia to be better
25 prepared to receive those dollars coming

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2 down the pike, and in that process, I
3 thank leadership for allowing me to be
4 the appointee to work with the Steering
5 Committee on Recovery with the
6 Administration.

7 I am pleased to report that we
8 went from a question mark to an
9 exclamation point over the past months.
10 We have managed to be recognized similar
11 to what we did with the mortgage
12 foreclosure program where HUD recognized
13 Philadelphia as a model for dealing with
14 foreclosures. We are now being
15 recognized as a blueprint for how cities
16 and governments can utilize stimulus
17 money.

18 We have pulled together a
19 briefing for Council to be held in the
20 Caucus Room February 2nd at 2:00 p.m. for
21 the Administration, Dr. Barnett and Steve
22 Agostini, to talk about what specifics we
23 have done, but just to whet your
24 appetite, we already know about the \$300
25 million going to the School Board. We

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2 know about the \$300 million for highways;
3 SEPTA \$190 million; PECO \$200 million for
4 600,000 "smart" meters that will tell
5 people how to better conserve energy
6 during peak periods of consumption; \$43
7 million for Housing Stabilization Fund;
8 27 million for small business loans,
9 rebates and green works; 26 million on a
10 high-speed rail line from Harrisburg
11 connecting Pittsburgh and Philadelphia.
12 I've introduced a resolution, however,
13 today to do one other component that is
14 still undone, and that deals with the 24
15 percent poor population in the City of
16 Philadelphia.

17 We need to call upon Harrisburg
18 to draw down on the \$360 million eligible
19 for TANF funds to do good things like job
20 training, summer youth jobs, to take folk
21 on assistance to move them to
22 self-sufficiency, job training and the
23 like, which MOCS desperately needs to
24 bring about a change in that 24 percent
25 population.

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2 I think we've done a good job,
3 but I think that we still have work yet
4 undone. So we need to keep up our speed
5 to do the recovery so that people not
6 just on Wall Street, Main Street, but on
7 my street get that relief.

8 Thank you.

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

10 You're welcome.

11 The Chair recognizes Councilman
12 Green.

13 COUNCILMAN GREEN: Thank you,
14 Madam President. This past Sunday night
15 I witnessed the installation of the first
16 African American head of the Black Clergy
17 of Philadelphia and Vicinity, Dr. Audrey
18 Bronson. And in her talk, she talked
19 about the book of Isaiah and the passage
20 from it that began or that said
21 "Watchman, what of the night." And she
22 went on to describe the Black Clergy's
23 role in society and in Philadelphia and
24 in political debate in terms of standing
25 on the wall, looking forward to try to

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2 prevent bad things from happening, but
3 also informing citizens or informing
4 parishioners and other people about
5 what's happening in the City, and it got
6 me thinking about an important role that
7 we have here in City Council, and, that
8 is, our oversight authority and
9 especially in the context of the upcoming
10 budget season. I'm very proud of the way
11 Council worked together to stand on the
12 wall to prevent the closure of libraries,
13 the way Council stood on the wall
14 together not just to prevent bad things
15 from happening but also to inform the
16 citizens and engage in a debate and
17 exchange of ideas and public policy. And
18 we were able to sort of win that public
19 policy debate with the public by warning
20 them about what was coming and providing
21 facts and figures. And it's my sincere
22 wish that the Nutter Administration use
23 the time that they now have before
24 they're planning to give us the budget
25 address to work with Council so that the

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2 things that we know our constituents are
3 interested in are reflected in the budget
4 presented to us so that we can work
5 together in that time to avoid the
6 acrimony and disputes that occurred after
7 last year's budget address.

8 So I would ask them to do that,
9 and I would look forward to working with
10 them in that process to try to reflect
11 the sentiments that we know we think will
12 bring -- that are reflected in the
13 budget.

14 So with respect to the upcoming
15 budget process and our work, I say to my
16 colleagues, Watchmen, what of the night.

17 Thank you, Madam President.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank
19 you.

20 The Chair recognizes
21 Councilwoman Blackwell.

22 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
23 you, Madam President. I am reminding my
24 colleagues that we still have our
25 Partnership for Prescription Assistance

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2 table outside for your constituents who
3 need prescription help.

4 Thank you very much.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
6 you.

7 The Chair recognizes
8 Councilwoman Tasco.

9 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Very
10 briefly, Madam President. I just want to
11 state that while Councilman Jones was
12 down there flitting around with the
13 hoity-toities and enjoying the pleasure
14 of watching the President in person
15 deliver his State of the Union message, I
16 want to give a shout out to Jeff Brown,
17 the owner of ShopRite, a number of them
18 throughout the City and the State. He
19 was right there behind Mrs. Obama, and
20 that is because he is working with our
21 State Representative Dwight Evans, who
22 introduced a fresh food initiative in the
23 state, which has provided support money
24 for grocery stores to open throughout the
25 State of Pennsylvania in neighborhoods

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2 that had no supermarkets. So we're proud
3 that the Administration is looking at
4 this initiative and hopefully will be
5 supportive to replicate it throughout the
6 country.

7 Thank you.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
9 you.

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

12 (No response.)

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

14 Before I recognize Councilman Clarke, I
15 would just like to remind my colleagues
16 that we do have a briefing in the Caucus
17 Room immediately after Council sessions
18 regarding the Fairmount Park and
19 Recreation.

20 The Chair recognizes Councilman
21 Clarke for a motion to adjourn.

22 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Thank you,
23 Madam President. Madam President, before
24 I call for adjournment, I'd just like to
25 take a moment to commend and thank

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2 Councilman Jones for his willingness to
3 serve with the Administration on the
4 stimulus issue. I guess it was somewhat
5 of a coincidence, but it seems like the
6 aggressive nature of our ability to get
7 the necessary funding from Washington on
8 the stimulus-related matters just
9 happened to coincide with Councilman
10 Jones' appointment to that committee.
11 I'm sure that was just a coincidence, but
12 I guess Councilman Jones, in his own
13 little way, stimulated the process and,
14 therefore, has accelerated our ability to
15 get those monies in. And unlike some
16 folks in Washington, Councilman Jones
17 does get it. It's about jobs. So I just
18 want to commend him and thank him for his
19 service.

20 (Applause.)

21 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Madam
22 President, I move that Council stand
23 adjourned until Thursday, February the
24 4th, 2010, 10:00 a.m.

25 (Duly seconded.)

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It
3 has been moved and seconded that Council
4 stand adjourned until Thursday, February
5 4th, 2010 at 10 o'clock.

6 All in favor will indicate by
7 saying aye.

8 (Aye.)

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Those
10 opposed?

11 (No response.)

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
13 ayes have it. The motion carries.

14 Thank you.

15 (Stated Meeting adjourned at
16 11:45 a.m.)

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