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COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA

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STATED MEETING

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Thursday, 5/30/02

10:27 a.m.

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Room 696, City Hall

Philadelphia, PA

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PRESENT:

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ANNA C. VERNA

COUNCILWOMAN JANNIE L. BLACKWELL

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COUNCILWOMAN BLONDELL REYNOLDS BROWN

COUNCILMAN DARRELL L. CLARKE

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COUNCILMAN DAVID COHEN

COUNCILMAN FRANK J. DICICCO

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COUNCILMAN W. WILSON GOODE, JR.

COUNCILMAN JAMES F. KENNEY

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COUNCILWOMAN JOAN L. KRAJEWSKI

COUNCILMAN W. THACHER LONGSTRETH

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COUNCILMAN RICHARD T. MARIANO

COUNCILWOMAN DONNA REED MILLER

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COUNCILMAN MICHAEL A. NUTTER

COUNCILMAN BRIAN J. O'NEILL

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COUNCILMAN ANGEL L. ORTIZ

COUNCILMAN FRANK RIZZO

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COUNCILWOMAN MARIAN B. TASCO

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PATRICIA RAFFERTY, Deputy Chief Clerk

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Could I have
3 everyone's attention, please. Thank you very much.

4 I note that the hour has come and that
5 a quorum of this Council is present. Council will
6 please come to order, members will take their
7 seats.

8 To give our invocation this morning,
9 the Chair welcomes the Reverend Cleveland M.
10 Edwards, Jr., Pastor of St. Jude's Baptist Church.
11 He is here as a guest of Councilwoman Blackwell.

12 All members and guests will please
13 prides.

14 REVEREND EDWARDS: Let us pray.

15 Our Father and our God, Lord, we come
16 today with bowed heads and humbled hearts. We
17 come, realizing that Thou are God and there is no
18 God before Thee. We come this morning, thanking
19 you for allowing us to see the dawning of a
20 brand-new day, a day which we've never seen before.
21 We come to say thank you.

22 We come now, Lord, asking you to bless
23 this City Council. Bless the President, the
24 Majority and Minority Leader, bless the
25 chairpersons of each committee, bless them and keep

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2 them in the hollow of your hand. Bless this
3 Council, Lord, as they come to do good for the
4 people that they were elected to represent in these
5 chambers of government. Let them deliberate in
6 courage, not in fear, nor in selfish reasons, nor
7 of party affiliation, but to help the people of
8 this great City of Philadelphia. Let this City
9 Council be those who are abiding loyalty to this
10 city, tramp over all personal and political
11 consideration, who will show the meaning of courage
12 and real faith in democracy. Let them be mindful
13 of the less fortune as well as the fortune.

14 Again, Lord, I ask you to bless this
15 City Council today as they come together with one
16 thought in mind: To do better for the lives of the
17 people of City of Philadelphia.

18 All these blessing we do ask in your
19 darling son, Jesus's precious name.

20 Amen.

21 ALL: Amen.

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

25 Council will be at ease.

1 5/30/01 STATED - APPROVAL OF 5/16/02 JOURNAL

2 (Council stands at ease.)

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4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The next
5 order of business the approval of the Journal of
6 the meeting of Thursday, May 16, 2002, and the
7 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell.

8 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,
9 Madam President. I move that the Journal of the
10 meeting of Thursday, May 16, 2002 stand approved.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Is there a
12 second?

13 (Duly seconded.)

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It has been
15 moved and properly seconded that the Journal of the
16 meeting of Thursday, May, 16, 2002 stand approved.

17 All in favor will signify by saying
18 aye.

19 Those opposed?

20 The ayes have it, and the motion
21 carries and the Journal of the meeting of Thursday,
22 May, 16, 2002 approved.

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1 5/30/02 STATED - REQUESTS FOR LEAVES OF ABSENCE

2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The next
3 order of business is requests for leaves of
4 absence, and the Chair recognizes Councilwoman
5 Blackwell.

6 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,
7 Madam President. There are no requests for leaves
8 of absence today on the part of the Majority.

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
10 thanks the Councilwoman.

11 The Chair recognizes Councilman
12 O'Neill.

13 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Madam President,
14 on behalf of the Republicans, there are no requests
15 for leaves of absence.

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you
17 very much.

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1 5/30/02 STATED - VISITOR RECOGNITION/PRESENTATIONS

2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
3 will dispense with the regular order of business to
4 recognize the guests and visitors joining us in
5 chambers this morning. On behalf of City Council,
6 I welcome you to our Council session. We
7 appreciate your taking the time to join us as we
8 attend to the legislative affairs of our city. We
9 certainly invite you to come again.

10 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
11 Blackwell, who will make a presentation honoring
12 Mr. Charles Blockson. Will Mr. Blockson and those
13 accompanying him please join the Councilwoman at
14 the podium.

15 (Mr. Blockson and Councilwoman
16 Blackwell come forward.)

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Councilman
18 Clarke, Councilwoman Blackwell would like you to
19 join her.

20 (Councilman Clarke comes forward.)

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

23 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,
24 Madam President.

25 It is absolutely a wonderful pleasure

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2 for me to introduce certainly a national historic
3 treasure all of our own, a curator of Temple
4 University -- if there are any other individuals --
5 we talked with Greg Walsh from Temple, who would
6 like to join us, and we certainly invite you to
7 come forward.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Is he in the
9 room?

10 (Mr. Walsh not present.)

11 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Resolution
12 honoring Mr. Charles Blockson:

13 Whereas, Mr. Charles L. Blockson, a
14 native of Norristown, Pennsylvania, is held in
15 highest esteem throughout the region, and he is
16 truly a citizen of the world, having traveled
17 extensively, and earned the respect of historians
18 and art professionals everywhere; and.

19 Whereas, Mr. Blockson's contributions
20 to our city are immeasurable. He is a founder of
21 the Afro-American Historical and Cultural Museum,
22 former president of the Pennsylvania Abolition
23 Society, founding member of the Pennsylvania Black
24 History Committee, and author of 12 books; and

25 Whereas, in 1984, Mr. Blockson, an

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2 internationally known bibliophile, donated his
3 collection to Temple University, and he is now
4 curator of the Charles L. Blockson Afro-American
5 Collection. His collection now contains
6 approximately 150,000 books, pamphlets,
7 manuscripts, prints, drawings, sheet music,
8 posters, and artifacts. For his work and more, he
9 has earned honorary doctorates from Villanova
10 University, Lincoln University, and Holy Family
11 College; and

12 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Whereas, in April,
13 Mr. Blockson received the prestigious Founders Day
14 Award for Historical Documentation from the
15 Pennsylvania Historical Society. He is also chair
16 of the Black Writers Conference in Paris and
17 received awards and tributes too numerous to list.
18 In 1990, a bronze bust of Mr. Blockson was
19 presented to Temple University from the celebrated
20 sculptor Antonio Saline. And always, this active
21 and enthusiastic gentleman has enhanced the study
22 of black history, art and culture, and he has
23 enriched our city in countless ways.

24 Now, therefore, resolved by the Council
25 of the City of Philadelphia that we hereby honor

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2 and commend Mr. Charles Blockson. Further resolved
3 that an engrossed copy of this resolution be
4 presented to Mr. Blockson as evidence of the deep
5 respect and sincere admiration of this legislative
6 body.

7 Signed and supported by Council
8 President Anna C. Verna and all members of City
9 Council.

10 Thank you, Sir.

11 (Applause.)

12 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Before
13 Mr. Blockson is recognized to speak, I wanted to --
14 particularly with Councilman Clarke, in whose area
15 Temple is and who has worked with Mr. Blockson for
16 years -- make some remarks.

17 On May -- I believe it was May 8th --
18 we presented to the board this book,
19 African-Americans in Pennsylvania, that talks about
20 all places in our city and also gives you the other
21 part of the history that is left out, the part that
22 African-American played, and others, Native
23 Americans, etc. He lists populations throughout
24 the counties for African-Americans, he talks about
25 the Underground Railroad, and he's written a book

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2 that enables students from middle school on up to
3 take advantage of it. It's organized very well.
4 And we presented this to the School Reform
5 Committee and asked them to make it a part of the
6 school curriculum.

7 We have also been involved -- you know,
8 Mr. Blockson is also responsible for the historical
9 markers throughout the City for African-Americans,
10 and we thought that maybe help him a little bit
11 by -- because we had written to the Mayor and
12 contacted others in the City with regard to having
13 an historical marker replaced at 919 Lombard Street
14 for William Whipper, and also, it was just noted in
15 the Tribune on Wednesday, May 15, that the Inn of
16 Philadelphia has historical roots that need to be
17 honored with a marker.

18 So we are hoping that this record will
19 reflect that in addition to honoring Mr. Blockson,
20 we certainly ask for support for these markers, and
21 we're also asking Temple University if they would
22 give him the added space he needs. He has so many
23 things there just stuffed in drawers -- I mean,
24 history that so many people could benefit from.
25 And if they would give him graduate students or

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2 other assistance from the university to help
3 organize, computerize, etc., etc. the wonderful
4 Charles L. Blockson collection.

5 And with that, Madam President, thank
6 you, and we're ready to call on him for remarks.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

8 The Chair recognizes Mr. Blockson for
9 remarks.

10 MR. BLOCKSON: Thank you very much,
11 Councilwoman Blackwell.

12 It's been an honor for me, although I
13 grew up in Norristown, to respect the history of
14 people of all races, creeds, and colors. Growing
15 up in Norristown in the Fishtown section of
16 Norristown, which, on my block, there was at least
17 ten different nationalities. Norristown was also
18 the hometown of Mayor Street, who I've known over
19 50 years; my good friends Bob Butera, who's head of
20 the Pennsylvania Convention; and, of course, Dick
21 Tyler, who's the history commissioner of
22 Philadelphia; and Celeste Morello. So Norristown
23 has contributed a lot to the City of Philadelphia.

24 And in the words of Othello, the city
25 owes us something and in effect that libraries has

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2 been very important. It's distressing to read in
3 the papers about our libraries. We all came up
4 through libraries. Libraries is the soul of a
5 city, it's the soul of a culture, it's the soul of
6 a people. So whatever I did over the years, I did
7 not for myself but for people of all races. And
8 taken a vow in the (indiscernible) of a former
9 football coach of mine up at Penn State, Joe
10 Paterno. Although he was a great coach, he
11 appreciates the value of libraries.

12 So thank you very much.

13 (Applause.)

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

16 (Council stands at ease.)

17 (Proceedings resume.)

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19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: At this time,
20 the Chair recognizes Councilman Nutter, who will
21 present a resolution honoring Arline Lotman,
22 Esquire. Will Miss Lotman and those accompanying
23 her please join the Councilman at the podium.

24 (Honoree and Councilman Nutter
25 come forward.)

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2 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Thank you, Madam
3 President.

4 I am pleased to read this resolution
5 honoring Arline Joels Lotman, Esquire, on the 30th
6 anniversary of her accomplishments as the first
7 executive director of the Pennsylvania Commission
8 on the Status of Women.

9 (Applause.)

10 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Whereas, the
11 Pennsylvania Commission on the Status of Women,
12 herein referred to as "the Commission," was
13 established in 1972 by executive order of Governor
14 Milton J. Shapp, and was charged with "the
15 responsibility of developing and implementing
16 programs to make sure that all women in
17 Pennsylvania are able to participate equally in the
18 economic, educational, judicial, and governmental
19 life of Commonwealth"; and

20 Whereas, Arline Joels Lotman was
21 appointed the first executive director of the
22 Commission by Governor Shapp to help secure women's
23 legal rights in Pennsylvania pursuant to the Equal
24 Rights Amendment to the Pennsylvania Constitution,
25 which provides that equality of rights under the

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2 law shall not be denied or abridged in the
3 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania because of the sex of
4 the individual; and

5 Whereas, some of the major
6 accomplishments of the commission during Arline
7 Lotman's leadership as executive director include:
8 Ensuring equal access to credit in Pennsylvania
9 through the passage of new banking regulations that
10 enabled women to obtain a mortgage in their own
11 name based on own creditworthiness, undertaking the
12 first ever investigation of health care
13 discrimination against women and minority women;
14 securing the landmark end to newspapers' help-
15 wanted ads which segregated job opportunities by
16 gender, establishing a Pennsylvania Department of
17 Education directive which ended sex discrimination
18 in all public schools in the Commonwealth in
19 classes, activities, sports, housing and staffing;
20 and advocating for the ratification of the proposed
21 Equal Rights Amendment to the United States
22 constitution; and.

23 Whereas, in her many roles as wife,
24 mother, lawyer, teacher, community activist,
25 political participant, and public policy author,

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2 Arline Lotman is an inspiration to the women of
3 Pennsylvania; and.

4 Whereas, in constant rights for civil
5 rights for all people, she continues to serve as a
6 dedicated attorney, working to prohibit sex
7 discrimination in employment, public
8 accommodations, and education, and continues to
9 promote positive changes in policies and laws, now
10 therefore,

11 Resolved by the Council of the City of
12 Philadelphia that we hereby honor Arline Joels
13 Lotman, Esquire, on the 30th anniversary of her
14 accomplishments as the first executive director of
15 the Pennsylvania Commission on the Status of Women.

16 Further resolved that an engrossed copy
17 of this resolution be presented to Arline Jones
18 Lotman as a symbol of this legislative body's
19 sincere appreciation for her distinguished
20 achievements to ensure equality for women.

21 Signed by Council President Verna and
22 cosponsored by all members of City Council.

23 (Applause.)

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
25 recognizes Miss Lotman for remarks.

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2 MS. LOTMAN: Thank you, Madam
3 President. It's a pleasure to be here with you. I
4 want to thank Councilman Nutter and all of the
5 distinguished members of City Council who were kind
6 enough to honor me today.

7 I may want to run for office again so
8 I'm going to acknowledge everyone who's in the
9 office: My sister-in-law Susan (indiscernible);
10 Frank Fedderman, Sharon Wallace; the two important
11 leaders of the Bar Association who co-chair the
12 committee of women in the profession, Shelly
13 Fedullo and Bobbie Pacini -- you can stand up for a
14 moment; and two of my stalwart colleagues, John
15 Franchini and Ashley Kean; and Mr. David Grunfeld,
16 who writes for our Philadelphia Lawyer magazine;
17 Mr. Dan Sarucci, who's the Director of
18 communications, taking pictures -- this is all
19 necessary; Bonnie Squires, thank you; my mother and
20 father and all of my relatives; and definitely,
21 definitely, definitely Julia Chapman.

22 I really am very, very grateful to be
23 here today and to acknowledge your honor. I thank
24 you very much. But it's not only on my behalf that
25 I thank you; I thank you on behalf of all of the

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2 women of this city whose lives have literally
3 changed, changed for the better, by the work of the
4 commission.

5 I want to take a moment to look ahead
6 with you down the corridor of the future. Just as
7 you honor my work, I want to suggest that we can
8 together now set the agenda, not just by the past,
9 but with the future that is coming face-to-face
10 with a population that isn't aging but is living
11 longer and better, about 40 years longer. We've
12 had the boomers, the yuppies the guppies, the
13 X-ers, the Slackers, and now we have the
14 Expectation Generation.

15 We all know of disparate wages, sexual
16 harassment, and gender discrimination in general,
17 and that work is certainly not finished. But what
18 I want you as our elected representatives to be
19 honored for, I would like you to be honored for
20 your new establishment of the future of
21 Philadelphia's public policy and its laws as they
22 are both affected by gender, not just how they
23 affect gender.

24 And that is because we will live
25 longer, work longer than any other previous

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2 generation on work -- most likely, well into our
3 90s before we call it quits or somebody else
4 upstairs does it for us. And, therefore, women
5 will have a new role to play in employment and
6 economic development, in child care and in health
7 care.

8 And what will our jobs be? What types
9 of new employment are being created that will be
10 for once totally compatible with women? Unlike the
11 job creation of the past, construction and physical
12 labor can no longer provide the job stimulus for
13 this new population. The communications field has
14 leveled the job playing field. What will the
15 generations to come, who have finished raising
16 their children and yet still have a full and long
17 future ahead of them to work and to play, what will
18 they be doing with the next half of their lives?
19 What will you be doing with the next half of your
20 lives?

21 I suggest that we will need to create a
22 new paradigm, a new paradigm for our city's public
23 policy that include women in this new way. We
24 started this process 30 years ago in Harrisburg,
25 and our work was the first, but I hope yours will

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2 be the first public policy for the new Expectation
3 Generation.

4 Just think of what City Council can
5 begin with this new perspective. To follow the
6 words of Albert Einstein, who told us that problems
7 cannot be solved by thinking within the framework
8 in which the problems were created, I leave you
9 with that thought and I thank you so much for
10 acknowledging my work in bringing new policy and
11 new laws to end discrimination against women.

12 And I applaud you, you members of City
13 Council, in anticipation of the laws and policies
14 that you will establish to meet our future. The
15 best is yet to come.

16 Thank you.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

18 (Applause.)

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Council will
20 be at ease.

21 (Council stands at ease.)

22 (Proceedings resume.)

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24 MS. LOTMAN: I want to acknowledge
25 Mr. Blockson who came before me. I did not include

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2 his name, and I'm very impressed his credentials
3 and glad to have been a part of his honorary
4 ceremony. And Sharon, did we include you in our
5 list of esteemed guests? Good.

6 Thank you again. Bye-bye.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The next
3 order of business is communication. The Chair
4 requests that the Sergeant-at-Arms deliver the
5 messages from the Mayor to the clerk. The clerk
6 will please read the messages from the Mayor.

7 THE CLERK: To the President and
8 members of the Council of the City of Philadelphia:
9 I am pleased to advise you that on May 29, 2002,
10 I've signed all of the bills that were passed by
11 Council at its session on May 9th except Bill No.
12 000547, which I am returning unsigned;

13 And I am pleased to advise you that on
14 May 29, 2002, I signed the only bill that passed
15 Council on May 16th, Bill No. 010719;

16 And to the President and members of the
17 Council of the City of Philadelphia, I am
18 transmitting for the consideration of your
19 honorable body a resolution approving the
20 redevelopment contract and disposition supplement
21 of the Redevelopment Authority for a portion of the
22 Haddington Urban Renewal Area;

23 And an ordinance authorizing the
24 Philadelphia Authority for Industrial Development
25 to convey fee simple title to a property located in

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2 the vicinity of 52nd Street and Jefferson Streets;

3 And an ordinance consenting to the
4 transfer of control on the areas 1, 3, and 4 cable
5 television franchises from Comcast Corporation to
6 AT&T Comcast Corporation;

7 And an ordinance authorizing the
8 Commissioner of Public Property, on behalf of the
9 City of Philadelphia to acquire by purchase land
10 commonly known as 4815 Schmeck Street and 200
11 Fountain Street;

12 And an ordinance authorizing the
13 Commissioner of Public Property, on behalf of the
14 City of Philadelphia, to acquire fee simple title
15 to a parcel of real estate located at 8400
16 Executive Avenue;

17 And an ordinance authorizing the
18 Commissioner of Public Property, on behalf of City
19 of Philadelphia, to acquire some or all certain
20 real estate parcels in the Eastwick section of the
21 City of Philadelphia, all under certain terms and
22 conditions.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The messages
24 will be printed in the Journal.

25 The clerk will please read any other

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2 communications in her possession.

3 THE CLERK: That's all I have, Madam
4 President.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

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7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The next
8 order of business is the introduction of bills and
9 resolutions, and the Chair recognizes Councilwoman
10 Tasco for a motion.

11 COUNCILWOMAN TESCO: Madam President, I
12 move that all bills -- all resolutions called up,
13 that we suspend the rules to have them read first
14 reading.

15 (Duly seconded.)

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It has been
17 moved and properly seconded that the rules of
18 Council be suspended so as to permit immediate
19 consideration of resolutions at the time of
20 introduction.

21 All in favor will signify by saying
22 aye.

23 Those opposed?

24 The ayes have it and the motion
25 carries.

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2 The Chair recognizes Councilman Kenney.

3 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Madam President,
4 thank you. I offer one bill.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The clerk
6 will please read the bill.

7 THE CLERK: An ordinance consenting to
8 the transfer of control areas 1, 3, and 4 cable
9 television franchises from Comcast Corporation to
10 AT&T Comcast Corporation.

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

13 The Chair recognizes Councilman Cohen.

14 (No response.)

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Councilman
16 Cohen, do you have any bills or resolutions for
17 introduction?

18 COUNCILMAN COHEN: None today.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

20 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
21 Krajewski.

22 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Madam
23 President, I have no bills or resolutions.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

25 The Chair recognizes Councilman

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2 Mariano.

3 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Madam President, I
4 have three resolutions.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The clerk
6 will please read the title of the first resolution.

7 THE CLERK: A resolution approving the
8 redevelopment contract and disposition supplement
9 of the Redevelopment Authority of the City of
10 Philadelphia for the redevelopment and urban
11 renewal of a portion of the Model Cities Urban
12 Renewal Area designated as parcels 324.

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

15 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Move for the
16 adoption.

17 (Duly seconded.)

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

21 All in favor will say aye.

22 Those opposed?

23 The ayes have it and the resolution has
24 been adopted.

25 The clerk will please read the title of

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2 the second resolution.

3 THE CLERK: A authorizing the
4 Commissioner of Public Property to execute and
5 deliver to the Redevelopment Authority of the City
6 deeds located in the 23rd Ward of the City of
7 Philadelphia.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
9 recognizes Councilman Mariano.

10 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: I move for the
11 adoption.

12 (Duly seconded.)

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

16 All those in favor will signify by
17 saying aye.

18 Those opposed?

19 The ayes have it and the resolution has
20 been adopted.

21 The clerk will please read the final
22 resolution.

23 THE CLERK: A resolution authorizing
24 the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and
25 deliver to the Redevelopment Authority of the City

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2 deeds located in the 19th Ward of the City of
3 Philadelphia.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
5 recognizes Councilman Mariano.

6 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Madam President, I
7 move for the adoption.

8 (Duly seconded.)

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

12 All in favor will signify by saying
13 aye.

14 Those opposed?

15 The ayes have it and the resolution has
16 been adopted.

17 At this time, I am required to leave
18 the session, and I am hereby appointing
19 Councilwoman Blackwell president pro tem.

20 Thank you.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
22 The Chair now recognizes Councilwoman Tasco.

23 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Madam Chair, I
24 offer one resolution.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

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2 The clerk will please read the title of the
3 resolution.

4 THE CLERK: A resolution declaring May
5 as "Parenting Education Month."

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

7 Councilwoman Tasco?

8 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: I move the
9 adoption of the resolution.

10 (Duly seconded.)

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

12 It has been moved and seconded that the resolution
13 be adopted.

14 All in favor will say aye.

15 Opposed?

16 The ayes have it and so the resolution
17 is adopted.

18 Councilwoman Tasco, do you have another
19 resolution?

20 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: No.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

22 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Miller.

23 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Thank you, Madam
24 Chair. I offer one resolution.

25 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you.

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2 The clerk will read the title of the resolution.

3 THE CLERK: A resolution authorizing
4 the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and
5 deliver to the Redevelopment Authority of the City
6 deeds located in the 11th and 13th Wards of the
7 City of Philadelphia.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
9 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Miller.

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

12 (Duly seconded.)

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
14 It has been moved and seconded.

15 All in favor will say aye.

16 Opposed?

17 The ayes have it and so the resolution
18 is adopted.

19 The Chair recognizes Councilman Nutter.

20 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Thank you, Madam
21 President. I offer two bills.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
23 The clerk will read the title of the bills.

24 THE CLERK: An ordinance authorizing
25 the Commissioner of Public Property, on behalf of

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2 the City, to acquire by purchase, condemnation, or
3 other means that certain parcel land commonly known
4 as 4815 Schmeck Street and 200 Fountain Street;

5 And an ordinance authorizing the
6 Philadelphia Authority for Industrial Development,
7 notwithstanding any contrary requirements of the
8 Philadelphia Industrial and Commercial Development
9 agreement between the City, the Philadelphia
10 Industrial Development to convey fee simple title
11 to a certain property located in the vicinity of
12 52nd Street and Jefferson Street.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
14 Councilman, I thought one was a resolution, was it
15 not? Those were both bills?

16 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: They were, Madam
17 President, and you and I did have a conversation
18 about a resolution, but I'm finding that I do not
19 have it.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
21 Did you not submit -- you just submitted two bills?

22 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: I only submitted
23 two bills.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
25 Well, they will be referred to the appropriate

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2 committee.

3 Councilman Clarke, do you have a
4 resolution to submit to Councilman Nutter, a
5 property resolution for properties in his district
6 and mine?

7 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: I have a resolution
8 for properties in your district and Councilman
9 Nutter's district.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
11 Thank you.

12 The Chair calls on Councilman Nutter.

13 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Madam President,
14 you are absolutely correct, and I do now have a
15 resolution.

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
17 Thank you. The clerk will read it.

18 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: I offer one
19 resolution.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
21 Thank you. The clerk will read the title of the
22 resolution.

23 THE CLERK: A resolution approving the
24 redevelopment contract and disposition supplement
25 of the Redevelopment Authority of the City of

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2 Philadelphia for the redevelopment and urban
3 renewal of a portion of the Haddington Urban
4 Renewal area.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

6 Thank you.

7 The Chair recognizes Councilman Nutter.

8 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Thank you, Madam

9 President. I move the adoption of the resolution.

10 (Duly seconded.)

11 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: It's been

12 moved and properly seconded that the resolution be
13 adopted.

14 All in favor?

15 Opposed?

16 The ayes have it and so the resolution
17 is adopted.

18 The Chair recognizes Blondell Reynolds
19 Brown.

20 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: Thank
21 you, Madam Chair. I have one bill on your behalf,
22 one resolution on your behalf.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

24 Thank you. The clerk will read the title of the
25 resolution.

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2 THE CLERK: A resolution authorizing
3 the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and
4 deliver to the Redevelopment Authority of the City
5 deeds located in the 6th and 24th Wards of the City
6 of Philadelphia.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
8 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Reynolds Brown.

9 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: Thank
10 you, Madam Chair. I move for the adoption.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
12 Is there a second?

13 (Duly seconded.)

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
15 It has been moved and seconded that the resolution
16 be adopted.

17 All in favor?

18 Opposed?

19 The ayes have it and so the resolution
20 is adopted.

21 The clerk will read the title of the
22 bill -- the clerk will read the title of the second
23 resolution.

24 THE CLERK: A resolution recognizing
25 the Philadelphia Beauty Showcase National Historic

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2 Museum.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

4 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Brown.

5 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: Thank
6 you, Madam Chair. I move for the adoption.

7 (Duly seconded.)

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

9 It's been moved and seconded that the resolution be
10 adopted.

11 All in favor?

12 Opposed?

13 The ayes have it and so the resolution
14 is adopted.

15 The Chair recognizes Councilman Goode.

16 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you, Madam
17 President. I have no bills or resolutions.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

19 Thank you.

20 The Chair recognizes Councilman Ortiz.

21 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Thank you, Madam
22 Chair. I have one resolution.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

24 The clerk will read the title of the resolution.

25 THE CLERK: A resolution calling on

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2 Mayor Street and Police Commissioner Johnson to
3 oppose a new federal policy which would provide
4 state and local law-enforcement agencies with the
5 legal authority to arrest and detain persons for
6 violation of federal immigration laws.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

8 The Chair recognizes Councilman Ortiz.

9 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: I move for the
10 adoption of the resolution.

11 (Duly seconded.)

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

13 It has been moved and seconded that the resolution
14 be adopted.

15 All in favor will say aye.

16 Opposed?

17 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Roll call.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

19 All right. There's been a roll call.

20 Does everyone have the resolution
21 before them? This is the Ortiz resolution dealing
22 with law enforcement authorities and detaining
23 those for immigration.

24 All right, we will call the roll.

25 Thank you.

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2 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke?

3 COUNCILMAN CLARKE:

4 (Inaudible/off-mic.)

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

6 Councilman, we didn't hear you.

7 Councilman Clarke is voting no.

8 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Madam President,
9 point of information, please.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

11 Point of information. Councilman Nutter.

12 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Thank you, Madam
13 President.

14 Madam President, may I ask, through the
15 president, if Councilman Ortiz will submit to
16 interrogation.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

18 Councilman Ortiz, will you submit to interrogation?

19 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Yes.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

21 Yes. Councilman Nutter?

22 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Thank you, Madam
23 President.

24 Councilman, I mean, obviously, the vote
25 is going to be whatever the vote is going to be,

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2 but could you -- and I know you have a rather
3 extensive memo to the President outlining the
4 particulars.

5 Could you, at least here for the record
6 prior to the vote, lay out the fundamental tenets
7 of the resolution?

8 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Well, the
9 fundamental tenets is that what the Justice
10 Department is asking the police departments across
11 the country is to become enforcers of the
12 immigration statutes of this country, something
13 that they have no training for, no ability to do,
14 and that almost every police association across the
15 country -- and I will just detail to you just a few
16 of those.

17 The California Police Chiefs
18 Association, in a letter to the Attorney General,
19 said that it's the strong opinion of the California
20 Police Chiefs Association leadership that in order
21 for local law -- for local and state law
22 organizations to continue to be effective partners
23 with their communities, it is imperative that they
24 not be placed in the role of detaining and
25 arresting individuals based solely on a change in

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2 their immigration status.

3 San Antonio, Texas, Police Chief Albert
4 Ortiz said, "We tried so very hard for years to
5 build bridges into all segments of our community.
6 This will be a setback in that regard."

7 Denver Police Chief Gary Whitman noted
8 that "If a victim thinks they're going to be a
9 suspect in an immigration violation, they're not
10 going to call us, and that's just going to separate
11 us even further."

12 A Chicago Police Department
13 spokesperson speaking of the job of preventing and
14 solving crime said, "It would be virtually
15 impossible to do that effectively. Witnesses and
16 victims, no matter what their residency status, had
17 some reluctance to come forward for being
18 deported."

19 The Miami Police Department
20 spokesperson bluntly stated, "We will not function
21 in an INS capacity, it's not our job. Our job is
22 to solve crimes."

23 And the issue is one in which this will
24 lead to much more suspicion of our police
25 department, their jobs, with an ever-increasingly

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2 multi-ethnic, multi-cultural, and multi-racial
3 society that we live in, it will lead to more
4 racial profiling, stopping, and more lawsuits. It
5 will not prevent and it will not aid in the fight
6 against terrorism, which is Mr. Ashcroft's
7 intention for this addition to the duties of the
8 police department.

9 It will lead to more lawsuits, it will
10 lead to a greater exposure of the City's
11 liabilities across the way, and it will not aid in
12 the fight against crime.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

14 Thank you, Councilman.

15 For further interrogation, Councilman
16 Clarke.

17 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Thank you, Madam
18 President. I wouldn't like to characterize it as
19 "interrogation" 'cause Councilman Ortiz is a good
20 friend of mine.

21 Councilman Ortiz, have you had
22 discussions with the Philadelphia Police
23 Department, with Commissioner Johnson?

24 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: We sent a letter to
25 Commissioner Johnson last week and the resolution

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2 and the same memorandum that was sent to all City
3 Councilpeople. And I believe we've asked them to
4 respond to us. They've had a week to respond; they
5 haven't responded on that.

6 I believe that his position will be
7 very close to the ones from other police chiefs
8 across the country.

9 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Do you have a sense
10 of why he has not responded?

11 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: No. I think he's
12 busy with Operation Safe Streets, which is --

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
14 Excuse me. We have a point of information on the
15 floor.

16 Councilman Kenney.

17 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Just one thing, that
18 this will not help at all in terms of Operation
19 Safe Streets.

20 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Okay. Madam
21 President, I would like to change my vote to an aye
22 vote, but I would like for us to have discussions
23 with the Police Commissioner and the department to
24 get a sense of what their feeling is on that.

25 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: No problem, sir.

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2 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: This is a very
3 important issue so at this time, I will give a yes
4 vote, but --

5 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: It will lead to more
6 racial profiling.

7 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Okay, with the
8 understanding that we must have a detailed level of
9 discussion.

10 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: We will do that.

11 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Madam President?

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
13 Councilman Kenney.

14 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Just a point of
15 information on this issue, and I've worked on this
16 issue for a number of years now.

17 I want to give you a short example about
18 what happened in South Philadelphia that was
19 reversed by Commissioner Timoney about six, eight
20 months ago. We have a large influx of Indonesian
21 people who come from their country under duress.
22 They were Christians, many of them Catholics, who
23 were run out of their country, their businesses were
24 taken, their families were -- children were killed,
25 their daughters were raped, and they were basically

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2 thrown out of their country with nothing on their
3 backs but their clothes and their courage.

4 They came and settled in South
5 Philadelphia with many other more varying degrees
6 of immigration status. All of them have the
7 ability, if they have the information, to apply for
8 asylum. Once the asylum petition is made, it stays
9 all action against these individuals from the INS.
10 Because of language issues, lack of information and
11 also fear of the government who is behind the
12 reason they were run out of their country in the
13 first place, did not want to go and apply for
14 asylum, did not want anybody to know they were
15 very; and as a result of that, were very fearful of
16 calling the police when they were victims of crime,
17 when they were in a car accident.

18 We had a situation where a young man
19 was in a car accident, and his status was not
20 determined at that point, who ran away from the car
21 accident rather than have to stay there and answer
22 questions from police.

23 We found out through investigation and
24 through cooperation with then- Commissioner Timoney
25 that the Philadelphia police had a policy of asking

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2 people about their status regardless of their
3 contact with the police so that if you were hit on
4 the head and robbed and lay bleeding in the street,
5 the police were required to ask you whether or not
6 your status was, in fact, legal.

7 As a result of that policy, many people
8 in the community in South Philadelphia and in other
9 ethnic communities were afraid to call the police,
10 and the people who were preying on them knew that
11 they were afraid to call the police, so shop owners
12 were regularly harassed, regularly robbed, and the
13 police were not called, they could not map the
14 crime scenes, they could not appoint police to do
15 the right thing because they were afraid that their
16 status, regardless of what the legal status, was
17 going to create a situation where they were going
18 to be held in a federal detention facility and
19 potentially deported back to the country where
20 their kids were being killed and where their lives
21 were being in jeopardy.

22 Commissioner Timoney, who was, in fact,
23 an immigrant himself in Dublin, came to a community
24 in South Philadelphia at St. Thomas Aquinas Church
25 and talked to at least 500 people who had assembled

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2 there, people who simply want to make their life
3 and their way in this country, who want to be
4 legal, who want to do the right thing, who want to
5 pay taxes, but because of the Byzantine approach to
6 the INS and immigration law, they either can't, are
7 afraid to, or just don't understand the system.

8 Commissioner Timoney reversed that
9 policy of having the police ask any questions from
10 any individual who's involved not in a criminal
11 investigation but as a witness, as a victim, or
12 someone who's involved in even a car accident.

13 The New York City Police Department
14 never had that policy. New York City has a
15 population now of 8 million people because there's
16 a belief in New York City that you can come there
17 and appreciate America and become citizens and
18 become a part of the productive life of this
19 country.

20 Commissioner Timoney reversed that
21 because he said he couldn't believe we even had
22 that policy because in New York, that policy would
23 have been laughed at, it's ridiculous.

24 Now, I understand 9/11 and I understand
25 that as a result of 9/11, there's a lot of

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2 knee-jerk reactions of what we need to do to make
3 ourselves and our families and our cities safe, but
4 imposing these kinds of things on hard-working
5 immigrants, people who come here for the same
6 reasons that my great-grandparents came here, what
7 other people's grandparents came here was, to
8 experience that life in this country, and now to
9 have our police departments tracking 'em down to
10 see whether or not they can round 'em up and put
11 'em in a detention facility and deport, I think, is
12 the antithesis of what this country's all about.

13 And that's why I'm supporting this
14 resolution and that's why I think Ashcroft, despite
15 the fact that he is doing best to keep this country
16 safe, there is sometimes an overreaction that makes
17 this country less open and less honest and less
18 appealing to people around this country, and that's
19 why I'm voting for this resolution.

20 (Applause.)

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

22 Thank you.

23 Councilman Goode?

24 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you, Madame
25 President. I'll be very brief.

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2 I will be voting for this resolution as
3 well because I believe that this is actually racial
4 profiling at its worst. I think that if we do not
5 vote for this resolution, we're allowing the
6 terrorists to win. The purpose of terrorism is to
7 actually invoke terror, and we should not allow
8 this new sense of patriotism to force us to profile
9 people racially.

10 I think that we should be reminded that
11 Oklahoma City bombing was not caused by someone who
12 was an immigrant, but caused by domestic terrorism,
13 and we shouldn't be trying to mess with
14 (indiscernible) if we're not also going to bust
15 Bubba. We should stand up for what America's
16 really supposed to be about, and it's not about
17 racial profiling as a new sense of patriotism.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

19 Thank you.

20 Councilman Nutter.

21 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: I don't have
22 anything else, Madam President. I just wanted to
23 get some information out on the table. We may be
24 ready to vote.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

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2 Thank you very much. Councilman Ortiz.

3 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: I move for the
4 adoption of the resolution because we believe in
5 the Constitution of the United States, so I move
6 for the adoption of the resolution.

7 (Duly seconded.)

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

9 It has been moved and seconded.

10 All in favor?

11 Opposed?

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

13 I'm sorry in the middle of a roll call.

14 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Blackwell?

15 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke?

16 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

17 THE CLERK: Councilman Cohen?

18 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

19 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco?

20 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

21 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode?

22 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

23 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney?

24 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

25 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Krajewski?

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2 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: No.
3 THE CLERK: Councilman Longstreth?
4 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: No.
5 THE CLERK: Councilman Mariano?
6 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: No.
7 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Miller?
8 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
9 THE CLERK: Councilman Nutter?
10 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
11 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill?
12 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: No.
13 THE CLERK: Councilman Ortiz?
14 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.
15 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Reynolds
16 Brown?
17 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: Aye.
18 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo?
19 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: No.
20 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco?
21 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
22 THE CLERK: Pro Tem Council President
23 Blackwell?
24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
25 Aye.

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2 The ayes are 11, the nays are 4, and so
3 the resolution passes. I'm sorry, the nays are 5.
4 Let me make that correction.

5 (Applause.)

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

7 It's 11-5, and so the resolution is adopted.

8 Thank you very much.

9 Councilman Ortiz do you have any
10 further bills or resolutions?

11 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: No further bills or
12 resolutions.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

14 Thank you.

15 Councilman DiCicco?

16 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Thank you, Madam
17 Chair. I offer one bill and two resolutions, one
18 which is honoring Flag Day and signed by all
19 members of City Council.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

21 Thank you. The clerk will read the title of the
22 bill.

23 THE CLERK: An ordinance authorizing
24 Lois Hartsell, owner of the property 607 North
25 Second Street, to construct, own, and maintain a

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2 balcony projecting over the east footway of Second
3 Street.

4 And a resolution honoring Philadelphia
5 Flag Day Association on the occasion of their 60th
6 observation of Flag Day and 221st anniversary of
7 Flag Day.

8 PRO TEM COUNCIL PRESIDENT BLACKWELL:
9 Thank you very much. The bill will be referred to
10 the appropriate committee.

11 THE CLERK: And a resolution
12 authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to
13 execute and deliver to the Redevelopment Authority
14 of the City deeds located in the 2nd Ward of the
15 City of Philadelphia.

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
17 The Chair recognizes Councilman DiCicco.

18 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Move for the
19 adoption of the resolution.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
21 Is there a second?

22 (Duly seconded.)

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
24 This resolution has been moved and seconded.

25 All in favor?

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2 Opposed?

3 The ayes have it and so the resolution
4 passes.

5 The Chair recognizes Councilman
6 O'Neill.

7 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Madam President
8 Pro Tem, I do not have any bills or resolutions.
9 At this time, I would ask to be excused from the
10 Council session 'cause I have to be out of the City
11 on City business, and I would like to be recorded
12 as voting aye on all bills, except Bill 020309; if
13 that bill comes up, I would ask to be voting no.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
15 Thank you. That bill is being held today. The
16 Chair thanks the gentleman, and leave be granted.

17 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: And if I could
18 just clarify. On Bill 000643, I would like to be
19 voting for the amendment. I believe that's your
20 bill, Madam President.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
22 Thank you very much, Councilman. Leave will be
23 granted.

24 The Chair recognizes Councilman Clarke.

25 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Thank you, Madam

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2 President. I have two bills and two resolutions.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

4 Thank you. The clerk will read the title of the
5 bills.

6 THE CLERK: An ordinance authorizing
7 PECO Energy Company to construct, own, and maintain
8 seven concrete planters on the north footway of
9 Market Street.

10 And an ordinance authorizing the
11 Commissioner of Public Property in Fairmount Park,
12 on behalf of the City of Philadelphia, to execute
13 and deliver to the Philadelphia Authority for
14 Industrial Development without consideration a
15 quick-claim deed conveying fee simple title to the
16 City's interest in a one-tract ground situate in
17 the vicinity of 21st Street, 22nd Street, and
18 Hamilton Street.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

20 Thank you. The bills will be referred to the
21 appropriate committee.

22 The clerk will please read the title of
23 the resolutions.

24 THE CLERK: A resolution approving the
25 redevelopment contract and disposition supplement

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2 of the Redevelopment Authority of the City of
3 Philadelphia for the redevelopment and urban
4 renewal of a portion of the Model Cities Urban
5 Renewal Area.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

7 The Chair recognizes Councilman Clarke.

8 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Move for the
9 adoption of the resolution.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

11 Is there a second?

12 (Duly seconded.)

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

14 It as been moved and seconded that the resolution
15 be in adopted.

16 All in favor?

17 Opposed?

18 The ayes have it and so the resolution
19 is adopted.

20 The clerk will read the title of the
21 second resolution.

22 THE CLERK: A resolution authorizing
23 the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and
24 deliver to the Redevelopment Authority of the City
25 deeds located in the 7th, 29th, 32nd, and 37th

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2 Wards of the City of Philadelphia.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

4 The Chair recognizes Councilman Clarke.

5 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Move for the
6 adoption of the resolution.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

8 Is there a second?

9 (Duly seconded.)

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

11 It has been moved and seconded that the resolution
12 be adopted.

13 All in favor will say aye.

14 Opposed?

15 The ayes have it and so the resolution
16 is adopted.

17 The Chair recognizes Councilman
18 Longstreth. Do you have any bills or resolutions
19 today, Councilman?

20 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Madam President

21 I have no bills or resolutions.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

23 All right, the Councilman has no bills or
24 resolutions. Thank you.

25 And the Chair recognizes Councilman

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2 Rizzo.

3 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Madam President, one
4 bill.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
6 The clerk will read the title of the bill.

7 THE CLERK: An ordinance amending
8 Chapter 11-600 of the Philadelphia Code, entitled
9 "Construction Encroachments and Projections Over,
10 On and Under Streets," by adding Section 11-610,
11 entitled "Construction Equipment" to require
12 placing of any form of construction equipment,
13 including Dumpsters, trailers, fences and
14 scaffolding.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
16 Thank you very much. The bill will be referred to
17 the appropriate committee.

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

3 The next or order of business is reports from
4 committee, and the Chair recognizes Councilman
5 Kenney for a report from the Committee on Rules.

6 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you, Madam
7 Chair. The Committee on Rules reports out four
8 bills and two resolutions with favorable
9 recommendations.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

11 The clerk will please read the report.

12 THE CLERK: To the President and
13 members of the Council of the City of Philadelphia,
14 the Committee on Rules, to which was referred:

15 Bill No. 020166, an ordinance
16 establishing a neighborhood improvement district in
17 the area bounded generally by the eastern side of
18 Tulip Street, the northern side Allegheny Avenue,
19 the western side of Amber Street, and the northern
20 side of Venango Street to be known as the Port
21 Richmond Industrial Development Enterprise; and

22 Bill No. 020183, an ordinance approving
23 a new plan, estimated costs, and proposed method of
24 charges in the Manayunk Special Services District;
25 and

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2 Bill No. 020225, an ordinance amending
3 Title 14 of the Philadelphia Code, entitled "Zoning
4 and Planning," by making certain technical
5 amendments under certain terms and conditions; and

6 Bill No. 020226, an ordinance to amend
7 the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning
8 designation of certain areas of land located within
9 an area bounded by Roosevelt Boulevard, Scotts
10 Lane, and Ridge Avenue; and

11 Resolution No. 020205, appointing
12 Robert Zuritsky to the Board of Directors of the
13 Philadelphia Municipal Authority; and

14 Resolution No. 020206, a resolution
15 appointing James P. Baker to the Board of Directors
16 of the Hospitals and Higher Education Facilities
17 Authority of Philadelphia

18 Respectfully reports it has considered
19 the same and returns the attached bills and
20 resolutions to Council with a favorable
21 recommendation.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
23 Thank you very much.

24 The Chair recognizes Councilman Kenney.

25 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Madam Chair, I move

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2 that the rules of Council be suspended so as to
3 permit first reading this days of Bill No. 020166,
4 020183, 020225, and 020226.

5 (Duly seconded.)

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

7 It has been moved and properly seconded that the
8 rules of Council will be suspended so as to permit
9 first reading this day of Bill No.'s 020166,
10 020183, 020225, and 020226.

11 All in favor will signify by saying
12 aye.

13 Those opposed?

14 The ayes have it and the bills just
15 read will be placed on today's first-reading
16 calendar.

17 Resolution 020205 and 020206 will be
18 placed at the end of day's calendar.

19 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
20 Krajewski for a report from the Committee on
21 Appropriations.

22 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Madam Chair,
23 the Committee on Appropriations offers three bills
24 with a favorable recommendation.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

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2 Thank you. The clerk will please read the report.

3 THE CLERK: To the President and
4 members of the Council of the City of Philadelphia:
5 The Committee on Appropriations, to which was
6 referred:

7 Bill No. 020276, an ordinance
8 authorizing transfers in appropriations for Fiscal
9 Year 2002 within the Grants Revenue Fund, from the
10 Director of Finance - Provision for Other Grants to
11 the City Representative and the Director of
12 Commerce; and

13 Bill No. 020343, an ordinance
14 authorizing transfers in appropriations for Fiscal
15 Year 2002 within the Water Fund from the Department
16 of Revenue to the Department of Revenue; and

17 Bill No. 020344, an ordinance
18 authorizing transfers in appropriations for Fiscal
19 Year 2002 within the General Fund from the
20 Department of Revenue

21 Respectfully reports it has considered
22 the same and returns the attached bills to Council
23 with a favorable recommendation.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

25 Thank you.

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2 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
3 Krajewski for a motion.

4 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Madam
5 Chairwoman, I move that the rules of Council be
6 suspended so as to permit first reading this day of
7 Bills 020276, 020343, and 020344.

8 (Duly seconded.)

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
10 It has been moved and seconded that the rules of
11 Council be suspended so as to permit first reading
12 this day of Bill No.'s 020276, 020343, and 020344.

13 All in favor will signify by saying
14 aye.

15 Those opposed, nay?

16 The ayes have it, and Bill No. 020276,
17 020343, and 020344 will be placed on today's
18 reading calendar.

19 The Chair recognizes Councilman Nutter
20 for a report from the Committee on Commerce and
21 Economic Development.

22 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Thank you, Madam
23 President. The Committee on Commerce and Economic
24 Development reports one bill with a favorable
25 recommendation.

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

3 The clerk will please read the report.

4 THE CLERK: To the President and
5 members of the Council of the City of Philadelphia:
6 The Committee on Commerce and Economic Development,
7 to which was referred Bill No. 020256, an ordinance
8 amending Chapter 21-800 of the Philadelphia Code,
9 entitled "Advancement of Economic Opportunities,"
10 by amending Section 21-802 by adding a subsection
11 on been targeted investments in women's business
12 development finance, respectfully reports it has
13 considered the same and returns the attached bill
14 to Council with a favorable recommendation.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

16 Thank you.

17 The Chair recognizes Councilman Nutter.

18 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Thank you, Madam
19 President. I move that the rules of Council be
20 suspended so as to permit first reading this day
21 Bill No. 020256.

22 (Duly seconded.)

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

24 It has been moved and properly seconded that the
25 rules of Council be suspended so as to permit first

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2 reading this day of Bill No. 020256.

3 All in favor will indicate by saying
4 aye.

5 Opposed?

6 The ayes have it, and Bill No. 020256
7 will be placed on today's first-reading calendar.

8 This concludes our committee reports.

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1 5/30/02 - BILLS ON FIRST-READING CALENDAR

2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

3 Our next order of business is consideration of the
4 calendar.

5 The clerk will please read bills on the
6 first-reading calendar.

7 THE CLERK: Bill No. 020166, an
8 ordinance establishing a neighborhood improvement
9 district in the area bounded generally by the
10 eastern side Tulip Street, the northern side of
11 Allegheny Avenue, the western side of Amber Street,
12 and the northern side of Venango streets, all under
13 certain terms and conditions.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

15 The Chair agrees.

16 THE CLERK: And Bill No. 020183, an
17 ordinance approving a new plan, estimated cost, and
18 proposed method of charges of the Manayunk Special
19 Services District for and concerning business
20 improvements and administrative services to the
21 Manayunk business, all under certain terms and
22 conditions.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

24 The Chair agrees.

25 THE CLERK: And Bill No. 020225, an

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2 ordinance amending Title 14 of the Philadelphia
3 Code, entitled "Zoning and Planning," by amending
4 Chapter 14-200, entitled "Residential Districts,"
5 by making certain technical amendments, under
6 certain terms and conditions.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
8 The Chair agrees.

9 THE CLERK: And Bill No. 020226, an
10 ordinance to amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by
11 changing the zoning designations of certain areas
12 of land located within an area bounded by the
13 Roosevelt Boulevard, a railroad right-of-way,
14 Scotts Lane, and Ridge Avenue.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
16 The Chair agrees.

17 THE CLERK: And Bill no. 020276, an
18 ordinance authorizing transfers in appropriations
19 for Fiscal Year 2002 within the Grants Revenue Fund
20 to the City Representative and the Director of
21 Commerce.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
23 The Chair agrees.

24 THE CLERK: And Bill No. 020343, an
25 ordinance authorizing transfers in appropriations

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2 for Fiscal Year 2002 within the Water Fund from the
3 Department of Revenue to the Department of Revenue.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
5 The Chair agrees.

6 THE CLERK: And Bill No. 020344, an
7 ordinance authorizing transfers in appropriations
8 for Fiscal Year 2002 within the General Fund from
9 the Department of Revenue Sinking Fund Commission
10 to the Register of Wills and the Sheriff.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
12 The Chair agrees.

13 THE CLERK: And Bill No. 020256, an
14 ordinance amending Chapter 21-800 of the
15 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Advancement of
16 Economic Opportunities," by amending Section 21-802
17 by adding a subsection on targeted investments in
18 women's business development and finance.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
20 The Chair agrees.

21 The bills just read by the clerk will
22 be placed on the second-reading and final-passage
23 calendar for our next session of Council.

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

3 The Chair now recognizes Councilwoman Tasco for the
4 purpose of calling up bills on the second-reading
5 and final-passage calendar to be considered today.

6 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Madam President,
7 all bills on final passage are being held except
8 Bills 010695-A, 020255, 020309 --

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
10 Councilwoman Tasco, Bill No. 020309 is being held.

11 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Oh, I'm sorry, I
12 didn't change it, all right. My apologies.

13 These following bills will be called
14 up: 010631, 020094, 020202, 020203, and Bill
15 000643 will be amended.

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
17 Thank you.

18 The Chair calls on Councilman Clarke
19 for a motion to adopt the amendment for Bill No.
20 000643.

21 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Thank you, Madam
22 Chair. I would like to propose a motion to -- for
23 the adoption of the amendment that was circulated
24 in the caucus to Bill No. 00643.

25 (Duly seconded.)

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

3 Is there a second?

4 (Duly seconded.)

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

6 Will the clerk please read the title of Bill 000643

7 that is being amended.

8 THE CLERK: An ordinance to amend the
9 Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning
10 designation to certain areas of land located with
11 an area bounded by Market Street, 46th Street,
12 Locust Street, 40th Street, Walnut Street, and 38th
13 Street.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

15 All in favor of the amendment as has
16 been circulated will say aye.

17 Opposed?

18 The ayes have it and so the amendment
19 is adopted.

20 The clerk will now read the Title of
21 Bill No. 010695-A that is being called up for
22 second reading and final passage.

23 THE CLERK: An ordinance amending the
24 Philadelphia Code to add various requirements and
25 prohibitions related to students living in

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2 educational housing districts, all under certain
3 terms and conditions.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

5 This bill having been read on two different days,
6 the question now is, shall the bill pass finally?

7 The clerk will please call the roll.

8 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke?

9 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

10 THE CLERK: Councilman Cohen?

11 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

12 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco?

13 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

14 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode?

15 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

16 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney?

17 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

18 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Krajewski?

19 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

20 THE CLERK: Councilman Longstreth?

21 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.

22 THE CLERK: Councilman Mariano?

23 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

24 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Miller?

25 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.

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2 THE CLERK: Councilman Nutter?

3 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.

4 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill is

5 voting aye.

6 Councilman Ortiz?

7 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.

8 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Reynolds

9 Brown?

10 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: Aye.

11 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo?

12 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

13 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco?

14 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

15 THE CLERK: Council President Pro Tem

16 Blackwell?

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

18 Aye.

19 (Council President Pro Tem

20 Blackwell later changed her vote to

21 no on Bill No. 010695-A; see Page

22 72.)

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

24 All members having voted in the affirmative, the

25 bill passes.

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2 The clerk will please read the title of
3 Bill No. 000603 -- no, I'm sorry, 020255.

4 THE CLERK: An ordinance providing for
5 the submission to the qualified electors of the
6 City of Philadelphia of an amendment to the
7 Philadelphia Home Rule Charter relating to the
8 creation, appointment, powers and duties of an
9 independent tax reform commission, and authorizing
10 the appropriate officers to publish notice and to
11 make arrangements for the special election.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
13 This bill having been read on two different
14 occasions, roll call.

15 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke?

16 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

17 THE CLERK: Councilman Cohen?

18 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

19 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco?

20 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

21 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode?

22 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

23 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney?

24 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

25 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Krajewski?

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2 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

3 THE CLERK: Councilman Longstreth?

4 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.

5 THE CLERK: Councilman Mariano?

6 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Point of order.

7 I'm not sure what we're voting on. Help me, what's
8 going on?

9 THE CLERK: Bill No. 020255.

10 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Come back to me.

11 I want to think about it.

12 No, yeah, I'm okay. Yes.

13 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Miller?

14 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.

15 THE CLERK: Councilman Nutter?

16 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.

17 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill is
18 voting aye.

19 Councilman Ortiz?

20 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.

21 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Reynolds
22 Brown?

23 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: Aye.

24 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo?

25 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

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2 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco?

3 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

4 THE CLERK: Council President Pro Tem
5 Blackwell?

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

7 Aye.

8 This bill having been read on two
9 different occasions and the majority having voted
10 in the affirmative, the bill passes.

11 The Chair would now like to recall Bill
12 No. 010655-A for the purpose of personally voting
13 no on that bill. So we will ask the record so
14 reflect that for the educational housing districts,
15 the Chair is voting no.

16 All right, the next bill to be
17 considered today is Bill No. 010631. The clerk
18 will please read the title of the bill.

19 THE CLERK: An ordinance authorizing
20 the Commissioner of Public Property to acquire fee
21 simple title to certain parcels of property owned
22 by the Redevelopment Authority of the City of
23 Philadelphia, known as parcels 5 and 8 of the
24 Eastwick Urban Renewal Area, under certain terms
25 and conditions.

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
3 The clerk will please call the roll.
4 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke?
5 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.
6 THE CLERK: Councilman Cohen?
7 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.
8 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco?
9 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.
10 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode?
11 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
12 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney?
13 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
14 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Krajewski?
15 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
16 THE CLERK: Councilman Longstreth?
17 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
18 THE CLERK: Councilman Mariano?
19 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
20 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Miller?
21 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
22 THE CLERK: Councilman Nutter?
23 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
24 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill is
25 voting aye.

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2 THE CLERK: Councilman Ortiz?

3 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.

4 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Reynolds

5 Brown?

6 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: Aye.

7 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo?

8 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

9 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco?

10 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

11 THE CLERK: Council President Pro Tem

12 Blackwell?

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

14 Aye.

15 The ayes are 16, the nays are 0. A
16 majority of all members having voted in the
17 affirmative, the bill passes.

18 The next bill to be called up is Bill
19 No. 020094. The clerk will please read the title
20 of the bill.

21 THE CLERK: An ordinance authorizing
22 the Commissioner of Public Property, on behalf of
23 the City of Philadelphia, to acquire underground
24 easement through 3822 Ridge Avenue, under certain
25 terms and conditions.

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

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

5 The clerk will please call the roll.

6 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke?

7 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

8 THE CLERK: Councilman Cohen?

9 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

10 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco?

11 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

12 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode?

13 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

14 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney?

15 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

16 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Krajewski?

17 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

18 THE CLERK: Councilman Longstreth?

19 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.

20 THE CLERK: Councilman Mariano?

21 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

22 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Miller?

23 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.

24 THE CLERK: Councilman Nutter?

25 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.

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2 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill is
3 voting aye.

4 THE CLERK: Councilman Ortiz?

5 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.

6 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Reynolds

7 Brown?

8 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: Aye.

9 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo?

10 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

11 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco?

12 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

13 THE CLERK: Council President Pro Tem

14 Blackwell?

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

16 Aye.

17 The ayes are 16, the nays are 0. A
18 majority of all members having voted in the
19 affirmative, the bill passes.

20 The next bill to be called up is Bill

21 No. 020202.

22 THE CLERK: An ordinance authorizing
23 the Commissioner of Public Property, on behalf of
24 the City of Philadelphia, to acquire an easement to
25 311 West Allegheny Avenue, under certain terms and

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2 conditions.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

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

6 The clerk will please call the roll.

7 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke?

8 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

9 THE CLERK: Councilman Cohen?

10 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

11 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco?

12 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

13 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode?

14 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

15 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney?

16 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

17 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Krajewski?

18 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

19 THE CLERK: Councilman Longstreth?

20 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.

21 THE CLERK: Councilman Mariano?

22 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

23 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Miller?

24 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.

25 THE CLERK: Councilman Nutter?

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2 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.

3 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill is
4 voting aye.

5 THE CLERK: Councilman Ortiz?

6 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.

7 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Reynolds
8 Brown?

9 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: Aye.

10 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo?

11 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

12 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco?

13 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

14 THE CLERK: Council President Pro Tem
15 Blackwell?

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
17 Aye.

18 The ayes are 16, the nays are 0. A
19 majority of all members having voted in the
20 affirmative, the bill passes.

21 The clerk will please read the title of
22 the final bill for today Bill No. 020203.

23 THE CLERK: An ordinance authorizing
24 the Commissioner of Public Property, on behalf of
25 the City of Philadelphia, to acquire by

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2 condemnation an easement through 3500 Scotts Lane
3 for sewer and drainage purposes, under certain
4 terms and conditions.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
6 This bill having been read on two different days,
7 the question now is, shall the bill pass finally?

8 The clerk will please call the roll.

9 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke?

10 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

11 THE CLERK: Councilman Cohen?

12 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

13 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco?

14 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

15 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode?

16 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

17 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney?

18 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

19 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Krajewski?

20 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

21 THE CLERK: Councilman Longstreth?

22 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.

23 THE CLERK: Councilman Mariano?

24 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

25 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Miller?

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2 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.

3 THE CLERK: Councilman Nutter?

4 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.

5 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill is
6 voting aye.

7 THE CLERK: Councilman Ortiz?

8 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.

9 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Reynolds
10 Brown?

11 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: Aye.

12 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo?

13 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

14 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco?

15 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

16 THE CLERK: Council President Pro Tem
17 Blackwell?

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
19 Aye.

20 The ayes are 16, the nays are 0. A
21 majority of all members of City Council having
22 voted in the affirmative, this bill passes.

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1 5/30/02 STATED - INTRO. OF MORE BILLS, RESOLUTIONS

2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

3 The clerk will read the title of Resolution 020205.

4 THE CLERK: A resolution appointing

5 Robert Zuritsky to the Board of Directors of the

6 Philadelphia Municipal Authority.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

8 The Chair recognizes Councilman Kenney for a motion

9 on the resolution.

10 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Move for the

11 adoption of the resolution.

12 (Duly seconded.)

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

14 Thank you. It has been moved and seconded that the

15 resolution be adopted.

16 All in favor will indicate by saying

17 aye.

18 Are there any nays?

19 The ayes have it, and Resolution No.

20 020205 has been adopted.

21 The clerk will read the title of

22 Resolution No. 020206.

23 THE CLERK: A resolution appointing

24 James P. Baker to the Board of Directors of the

25 Hospitals and Higher Educations Facility Authority

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2 of Philadelphia.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
4 The Chair recognizes Councilman Kenney for a motion
5 on the resolution.

6 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Move the adoption
7 of the resolution.

8 (Duly seconded.)

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
10 It has been moved and properly seconded that
11 Resolution No. 020206 be adopted.

12 All in favor will indicate by saying
13 aye.

14 Those opposed?

15 The ayes have it, and Resolution No.
16 020206 has been adopted.

17 The Chair understands that Councilwoman
18 Tasco would like to be recognized to introduce
19 further bills or resolutions.

20 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: On behalf of
21 Councilwoman Verna, I offer two bills.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
23 The clerk will please read title of the two bills.

24 THE CLERK: An ordinance authorizing
25 the Commissioner of Public Property, on behalf of

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2 the City of Philadelphia, to acquire by
3 condemnation, or by purchase in lieu of
4 condemnation, fee simple title to any parcel of
5 real estate with any improvements situate thereon
6 located at 8400 Executive Avenue.

7 And an ordinance authorizing the
8 Commissioner of Public Property, on behalf of the
9 City of Philadelphia, to acquire some or all of
10 certain real estate parcels in the Eastwick section
11 of the City of Philadelphia, all under certain
12 terms and conditions.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
14 Thank you. These bills will be referred to the
15 appropriate committee.

16 That concludes our calendar for today.

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

3 Are there any speeches on the part of Minority?

4 (No speeches on the part of the
5 minority.)

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

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

8 Councilman DiCicco.

9 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: I'd like to remind
10 the members of the Streets and Services Committee
11 that there is a public meeting today at 2 o'clock.
12 We have 22 bills, but they should be quick bills
13 and I'd like to get them over.

14 Thank you.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

16 Thank you very much.

17 The Chair recognizes Councilman Ortiz.

18 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Thank you, Madam
19 Chair.

20 Every week, I seem to have something to
21 say about the School Reform Commission, and I
22 believe that during the last week, it was shown how
23 totally separate and oblivious and unaccountable
24 the SRC is to the citizens of Philadelphia. They
25 have gone to almost every neighborhood of the City

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2 during the last week, very much like during the pro
3 counsels during the Roman days who were coming to
4 impose their will and their system, telling the
5 populace how it is that it's going to be, and how
6 they're going to have to adapt themselves to that.
7 And if they don't like it, well, tough, because
8 they have the authority.

9 And be what it may, it doesn't matter
10 that editorial boards and columnists and educators
11 and other experts are telling the School Reform
12 Board that the smorgasbord that they have, the stew
13 that they're cooking is really not functionable.

14 They come forward with a budget and
15 they say they're cutting 325 positions, but that's
16 not really the truth. The truth is that they're
17 cutting many more positions.

18 They're cutting librarians across the
19 City, as if librarians are not needed in the public
20 school systems of Philadelphia. Go to Radnor, go
21 to Montgomery County and tell 'em that you're
22 cutting their librarians out of their budget.
23 They're cutting and they're saying to the
24 principals, You have a choice to make: You have to
25 cut your staff.

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2 So beyond the 325 that they're cutting,
3 principals are cutting art teachers, music
4 teachers, computer administrators, and instructors.
5 They're cutting programs at the local level at
6 every school.

7 Reminds me very much -- if this is what
8 they call reform, it's no-frills education. You
9 get reading and math and be satisfied with that.
10 Art, history, music, all of the other elements that
11 go into making a well-rounded educated individual
12 will be totally missing. Latin? Forget it. After
13 all, who speaks Latin; not even the Catholic church
14 gives you mass now in Latin. But it is a
15 foundation of education a founding block of a
16 well-rounded educated mind.

17 And everywhere they have gone, the
18 parents and students have rejected them and they're
19 trying to impose one company more than any other
20 one, Edison, that their stock is now, I think, at
21 \$1.06, which is a total failure on Wall Street.

22 And it seems like they look at Edison
23 as the Holy Grail, the solution to every problem
24 that there is, but they themselves say they don't
25 have any money because, obviously, they face the

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2 same problem that we did as a city. The State
3 refuses to increase the amount of money that we get
4 for public education.

5 Education is not really that complex.
6 It works. Public education works when you have the
7 tools, when teachers are trained and you have small
8 classes, when principals do the job that they're
9 supposed to do, and the unions work together with
10 the parents and the students and the
11 administration.

12 What we have a reform commission that
13 is accountable to no one. They will impose their
14 will, and I think our kids will continue to suffer
15 because they're doomed to fail, and once they have
16 torn up the public education system, it's going to
17 be very hard to put it back together again.

18 Thank you, Madam Chair.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:
20 You're welcome.

21 The Chair recognizes Councilman Cohen.

22 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Thank you, Madam
23 President. I wanted to follow up on the School
24 Reform Commission.

25 You know, a lot of people are concerned

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2 about Wall Street, what's happening to the value of
3 stocks, what's happening to the business climate.
4 They point to a corporation like Enron, which
5 apparently operated one of the biggest scams in the
6 history of the United States, cheating hundreds of
7 millions of dollars from people all through the
8 country. They point to the Anderson accounting
9 firm, how it issued reports they hid rather than
10 disclose the true facts of companies they were
11 supposed to be auditing.

12 Well, I think in Pennsylvania, we're
13 getting very close to our own little scandal. In
14 the face of what Councilman Ortiz reported, that
15 the stock of the Edison Schools is almost down to
16 0 -- I think actually it was \$1.24 this morning or
17 at the end of business yesterday.

18 The high of the Edison stock -- when
19 Chris Whittle of Edison sold the stock and made
20 approximately \$100 million, the high was in January
21 of 2001, when the stock had a value of \$35. It has
22 lost more than 97 percent of its value. Yet, there
23 are a couple of hucksters out there still
24 forgetting all about Enron, forgetting about the
25 Anderson scandal, a couple of hucksters out there

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2 selling the value of Edison. Those hucksters
3 happen to include the Governor of the State,
4 Governor Schweiker, who, despite the fact that
5 everybody else has lost confidence in Edison
6 because of things like what was reported in Chester
7 Upland, where Edison's operating, they're going to
8 close the school, they're going to fire a couple of
9 hundred teachers in that small community, which has
10 suffered so much. So their record is miserable.
11 They've been fired by a number of communities that
12 have hired them.

13 Despite all of that, Governor Schweiker
14 and the members of the School Reform Commission say
15 that Edison's the best thing ever existed, it's
16 wonderful, and we're sticking by them. I think
17 that is going to lead to a local corruption
18 business scandal.

19 Tell me, what is Governor Schweiker,
20 what is the School Reform Commission getting out of
21 the huckstering in which they're trying to convince
22 everybody that Edison's stock is worthwhile,
23 because all of the activities of the School Reform
24 Commission seem aimed at trying to help Edison,
25 because the only positive statements about Edison

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2 are coming either from the Governor of the
3 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or from some members
4 of the School Reform Commission.

5 I think this is a scandal about to
6 erupt. I think it may take one of several forms.
7 I'd like it to know why is it so urgent that
8 Edison, with its records of failures both in the
9 business world and to the students and to the
10 educational system, why is it continually necessary
11 for the governor of this Commonwealth to say Edison
12 is good, I have full confidence in it? Why are
13 they talking about giving a few more schools to
14 Edison? Is it for the purpose of boosting the
15 stock?

16 Why is it that Govern Ridge, before he
17 became chief of the homeland security organization,
18 why did he make the commitment to Edison? Were
19 there any stock transfers? Was anybody in the
20 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania given stock at a low
21 price, which they were able to sell, like Chris
22 Whittle, the head of Edison, who made a hundred
23 million dollars? Edison as a company never made
24 anything; they've had loss after loss.

25 But Chris Whittle, when he met with

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2 Council many months ago in the private caucus room,
3 when I asked him, Is it true that you sold stock
4 and earned a hundred million? he said, Well, your
5 figures are a little bit off, but I won't deny
6 them.

7 Now, I think people have got to begin
8 asking questions because, as Councilman Ortiz said,
9 it's our kids' lives that are being played with.
10 It is our kids' lives that are being jeopardized by
11 the huckstering of the worst kind going on by the
12 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the School Reform
13 Commission.

14 I think they're talking about giving
15 more schools to Edison, hoping against hope that
16 somehow, this will reverse the downfall of the
17 stock value. They're trying to sell the world that
18 this Edison stock is going to be worth something,
19 and I think they're going to prove wrong, 'cause I
20 think before long, the stock is going to be taken
21 off the exchange, because once it drops below \$1,
22 it gets served notice that unless there's vast
23 improvement, the stock is going to be what they
24 call B-listed, taken off the Stock Exchange, and
25 will have to be sold just like jug stock is sold,

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2 maybe for pennies a share.

3 I think it's urgent that the people of
4 Philadelphia get involved very deeply, and one of
5 the problems, like all other matters, is that the
6 worst sufferers are not the middle class, not the
7 affluent -- they seem quiet, they seem satisfied
8 that one way or the other, the schools like Central
9 High School, like Girls High School, like
10 Masterman, like maybe Greenfield -- I could mention
11 maybe a dozen or 20 schools with outstanding
12 reputations, maybe they're going to be able to turn
13 back the School Reform Commission.

14 But the ones who are suffering most are
15 the kids who need the help of real school reform
16 more than anybody else, and that's the children of
17 working people, the children of the poor who look
18 to the school system for a ladder to equal
19 opportunity.

20 And I think it's time that we get very
21 fully, as parents and as citizens of Philadelphia,
22 into the fight to take back the ownership and
23 control of the school system. When the State
24 manages it the way it is now, it's just going from
25 very bad to really much worse than very bad, and

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2 that's pretty bad indeed.

3 Thank you, Madam President.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

5 Thank you very much.

6 Are there any other speeches?

7 (No further speeches.)

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

3 The chair now recognizes Councilwoman Tasco for a
4 motion to adjourn.

5 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Madam President, I
6 move that we stand adjourned until Thursday, June
7 6th, until 10 a.m.

8 (Duly seconded.)

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM BLACKWELL:

10 All in favor?

11 Opposed?

12 Council stands adjourned until
13 Thursday, June 6th, at 10 a.m.

14 Thank you.

15 (Proceeding end at 11:52 a.m.)

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