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COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA

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STATED MEETING

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Room 400, City Hall
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Thursday, March 8, 2007
10:15 a.m.

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PRESENT:

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COUNCIL PRESIDENT ANNA C. VERNA

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COUNCILWOMAN JANNIE BLACKWELL

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COUNCILWOMAN CAROL ANN CAMPBELL

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COUNCILMAN DARRELL L. CLARKE

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COUNCILMAN FRANK DiCICCO

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COUNCILMAN W. WILSON GOODE, JR.

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COUNCILMAN WILLIAM GREENLEE

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COUNCILMAN JACK KELLY

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COUNCILMAN JAMES F. KENNEY

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COUNCILWOMAN JOAN L. KRAJEWSKI

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COUNCILWOMAN DONNA REED MILLER

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COUNCILMAN BRIAN J. O'NEILL

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COUNCILWOMAN BLONDELL REYNOLDS BROWN

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COUNCILMAN FRANK RIZZO

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COUNCILMAN DANIEL SAVAGE

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COUNCILWOMAN MARIAN B. TASCO

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COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: I

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note that the hour has come and that a

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quorum of this Council is present.

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Council will come to order.

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Members will please take their seats and

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visitors will retire to the seats outside

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the rails.

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To give our invocation this

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morning, the Chair welcomes Reverend

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Edward Matthews, Pastor of St. Timothy

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Lutheran Church. He is here today as the

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guest of Councilman O'Neill.

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I would ask all members and

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guests to please rise.

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(Everyone rises.)

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REVEREND MATTHEWS: Good

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morning and greetings from Fox Chase.

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Let's seek guidance and blessing today

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from the Almighty.

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Almighty God, if anything, we

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thank you for this awesome city, and,

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Lord, we just pray that each person in

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here today we come with may be tired,

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maybe we're full of life and maybe just

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2 bogged down, but if anything, Lord, we
3 just pray that each and every one of us,
4 with all our diversities and all our
5 differences, that if anything, we come
6 together for the best of the City.

7 Lord, we seek your guidance.
8 We seek your guidance over everyone in
9 here today. We pray for justice. We
10 pray for peace. We pray for just
11 anything that will be in our hearts
12 today, Lord, as we come here. And we
13 pray for the City. We pray for the
14 police. We pray for our Mayor. And,
15 Lord, if anything today, we just ask for
16 your blessing as well.

17 So, Lord, each person in here
18 today, may you bless them and may you
19 bless this time as well. These things we
20 pray, amen.

21 (Amen.)

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

25 Council will be at ease.

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2 (Council at ease.)

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: May I
4 have your attention, please. There is
5 much too much noise.

6 The next order of business is
7 the approval of the Journal of the
8 meeting of Thursday, March 1, 2007, and
9 the Chair recognizes Councilwoman
10 Blackwell.

11 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
12 you, Madam President. I move that the
13 Journal of the meeting of Thursday, March
14 1, 2007 stand approved.

15 (Duly seconded.)

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
17 has been moved and properly seconded that
18 the Journal of the meeting of Thursday,
19 March 1, 2007 stand approved.

20 All in favor will indicate by
21 saying aye.

22 (Aye.)

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
24 opposed?

25 (No response.)

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
3 ayes have it, and the Journal of the
4 meeting of Thursday, March 1, 2007 is
5 approved.

6 The next order of business is
7 requests for leave of absence, and the
8 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell.

9 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
10 you, Madam President. On behalf of the
11 majority, there are no requests for
12 leaves of absence today.

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

15 The Chair recognizes Councilman
16 O'Neill.

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

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

23 The Chair will dispense with
24 the regular order of business to
25 recognize the guests and visitors joining

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

9 At this time, the Chair
10 recognizes Councilwoman Krajewski, who
11 will present a resolution honoring Sister
12 Francesca Onley of Holy Family College.

13 Will Sister Onley and those
14 accompanying her please join Councilwoman
15 Krajewski at the podium.

16 I see that Councilwoman
17 Krajewski is also being joined by
18 Councilmembers Kenney, O'Neill and Rizzo.

19 The Chair recognizes
20 Councilwoman Krajewski.

21 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Thank
22 you, Madam President.

23 Resolution honoring Sister
24 Francesca Onley on her 25 years as
25 President of Holy Family University.

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2 Whereas, Sister Francesca Onley
3 became President of Holy Family
4 University in 1981 and has led the
5 college in Northeast Philadelphia to
6 phenomenal success and achievement.

7 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: And
8 whereas, during her tenure, the number of
9 students at Holy Family has doubled, she
10 spearheaded a \$7 million endowment, and
11 satellite campuses have been added in
12 Newtown and Bensalem, Bucks County; and

13 Whereas, in 2002, Holy Family
14 College became Holy Family University
15 when Masters Programs were added and
16 applications saw a 24 percent increase in
17 prospective students, a number that grows
18 every year; and

19 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Born and
20 raised in the Mayfair section of
21 Philadelphia, Sister Francesca attended
22 Nazareth Academy High School and joined
23 the Sisters of the Holy Family of
24 Nazareth in 1953. She went on to teach
25 elementary and high school students

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2 before making a career change to college
3 administration; and

4 Whereas, she received her
5 Bachelor's Degree in Education and
6 Business from Holy Family College in 1959
7 and her Master's Degree in Education and
8 Business from Marywood College and
9 received her Doctorate in Higher
10 Education Administration from Southern
11 Illinois University at Carbondale; and

12 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Whereas,
13 Sister Francesca is famously known for
14 her love of bologna sandwiches, hot dogs
15 and Butterscotch Krimpets --

16 Yellow or brown mustard?

17 SISTER ONLEY: Yellow.

18 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Yellow
19 mustard. That's me, too. Thank you.

20 -- (continued) as well as her
21 rules of leadership, which are: Never
22 spend money you don't have, always plan
23 for the future, and achieve the goals you
24 say you will on time.

25 Now therefore, the Council of

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2 the City of Philadelphia bestows its
3 prayers, well wishes and its thanks to
4 Sister Francesca Onley for her 25 years
5 of dedicated and passionate service to
6 Holy Family University and hopes to
7 celebrate the University's future
8 endeavors and achievements that become
9 reality under her extraordinary tenure.

10 Congratulations.

11 (Applause.)

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
13 Chair congratulates, welcomes and
14 recognizes Sister Onley for remarks.

15 Welcome, Sister.

16 SISTER ONLEY: I should know by
17 now that every time you come to the
18 podium, you have to say something. I'm
19 not prepared for that, but I am prepared.

20 Thank you so much to the City
21 of Philadelphia, to those who lead this
22 City and the Council; in particular, for
23 all those Councilwomen and men that are
24 standing here who have sponsored this
25 award. I have to tell you that not only

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2 the environment but all of the employees
3 and the students at Holy Family
4 University are the ones that bring our
5 goals and our mission to culmination.

6 The Sisters of the Holy Family
7 of Nazareth have sponsored many
8 institutions of education and also for
9 healthcare and the care of children in
10 this city and internationally. This is
11 what drew me to the religious life and to
12 service the people. So I'm very pleased
13 today to accept this award in the name of
14 our congregation and of all the people
15 with whom I work at Holy Family
16 University.

17 Thank you so much for this
18 honor.

19 (Applause.)

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

21 Council will be at ease.

22 Would you like to introduce the
23 people that are with you.

24 SISTER ONLEY: The guests that
25 I have with me today, we have a mentor of

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2 our Board of Trustees, Al Tantala of
3 Tantala Associates, and we have our
4 Vice-President for Finance and
5 Administration, John Jaszcrak, and we
6 have our Publicity -- Director of Public
7 Relations -- she's just new with us, so
8 I'm sorry -- Amy. And also Linda, who is
9 also new with Holy Family University and
10 she is in Public Relations also.

11 So these are just a few of the
12 people that represent the wonderful
13 people at Holy Family University.

14 (Applause.)

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

16 Council will be at ease.

17 (Council at ease.)

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
19 noise level is much too high. Anybody
20 having conversation please do so in the
21 corridor.

22 The Chair now recognizes
23 Councilman DiCicco, who will present a
24 resolution commending RecycleBank.

25 Will Mr. Patrick FitzGerald and

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2 those accompanying him please join the
3 Councilman at the podium.

4 Councilman DiCicco is being
5 joined by Councilmember Kenney and
6 Councilwoman Blondell Reynolds Brown.

7 The Chair recognizes Councilman
8 DiCicco.

9 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Thank you,
10 Madam President, and good morning.

11 Resolution commending
12 RecycleBank as the 2006 Waste News'
13 Corporate Environmental Award winner and
14 encouraging the Department of Streets to
15 maintain and expand the company's service
16 in the City of Philadelphia.

17 Whereas, RecycleBank is a
18 private, Philadelphia-based company
19 founded by Patrick FitzGerald and Ron
20 Gonen to provide incentives for residents
21 to recycle. Currently, in the
22 Philadelphia trial program, households
23 can earn up to 30 RecycleBank dollars per
24 month that can be used to shop at over
25 300 participating stores, including local

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2 and national convenience stores,
3 restaurants, groceries and coffee shops;
4 and

5 Whereas, RecycleBank provides
6 each home in its service area with a 35,
7 64 or 96-gallon RecycleBank container
8 that has an embedded barcode to keep
9 track of the amount each home recycles.
10 The company also supports a single-stream
11 recycling system that enables you to
12 deposit all of your recyclables -- paper,
13 cardboard, plastic, tin, aluminum -- in
14 your RecycleBank container; and

15 Whereas, RecycleBank provides a
16 complete suite of reports that includes
17 detailed performance analysis of
18 recycling rates, participation rates and
19 collection efficiency at the household,
20 street, route, neighborhood and municipal
21 level; and

22 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Whereas,
23 in the first phase of Philadelphia's
24 pilot project, a 1,200-household section
25 of Chestnut Hill, participation rates

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2 rose from 30 percent to 90 percent and
3 weekly recycling rates rose from 10
4 pounds per household to 35 pounds per
5 household. The second phase of the
6 program, a section of West Oak Lane, also
7 saw participation rates rise to 90
8 percent. Daily recycling rates rose from
9 3 pounds per household to nearly 20
10 pounds; and

11 Whereas, this innovative
12 program has been honored by receiving the
13 2006 Waste News' Corporate Environmental
14 Award which annually recognizes companies
15 that have made a dramatic impact on the
16 environment in the past year. Waste News
17 is the nation's leading publication for
18 issues related to refuse, recycling,
19 energy and the environmental industry;
20 and

21 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Whereas, in
22 addition to the pilot program in
23 Philadelphia, RecycleBank is now
24 operating in cities and towns throughout
25 the Delaware Valley and will be expanding

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2 throughout the region in the coming
3 years; and

4 Whereas, RecycleBank has
5 proposed expanding their program in
6 Philadelphia. The company will provide
7 carts, computerized documentation,
8 education, advertising and their
9 incentive program. The Streets
10 Department has expressed concerns about
11 the cost of the program, but it is
12 feasible, it is feasible, the City will
13 not incur additional costs due to savings
14 related to waste disposal costs. The
15 environmental, economic and social
16 benefits of an expanded RecycleBank
17 program are obvious; and

18 Whereas, RecycleBank is clearly
19 a nationally recognized local company
20 that has generated excitement and
21 interest outside the City and the region.
22 For the City to expand the program would
23 bring national recognition for
24 Philadelphia's continued innovation and
25 commitment to the environment.

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2 Now therefore

3 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Be it
4 resolved, that the Council of the City of
5 Philadelphia commends RecycleBank as the
6 2006 Waste News' Corporate Environmental
7 Award winner and encourages the
8 Department of Streets to maintain and
9 expand the company's service in the City
10 of Philadelphia.

11 This is a true and correct copy
12 of the original resolution, adopted by
13 the Council of the City of Philadelphia
14 on the 13th day of November 2006.

15 Introduced by myself, Councilmember
16 Kenney and Councilwoman Blondell Reynolds
17 Brown, sponsored by all members of City
18 Council.

19 Thank you.

20 (Applause.)

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
22 Chair recognizes Mr. FitzGerald for
23 remarks.

24 MR. FITZGERALD: Thank you very
25 much. Thank you on behalf of RecycleBank

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2 to City Council, Councilman DiCicco,
3 Councilman Kenney and Councilwoman
4 Blondell Reynolds Brown.

5 RecycleBank is proud to be a
6 Philadelphia-based company and we are
7 proud to be expanding throughout the
8 region, and we look forward to providing
9 our service to residents in the City of
10 Philadelphia and beyond.

11 Thank you.

12 (Applause.)

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

14 Council will be at ease.

15 (Council at ease.)

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
17 next order of business is communications.
18 The Chair requests that the
19 Sergeant-At-Arms deliver the messages to
20 the Clerk.

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

23 THE CLERK: To the President
24 and members of the Council of the City of
25 Philadelphia, I am pleased to advise you

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2 that on March 7, 2007, I signed all of
3 the bills that were passed by Council at
4 its session on February 22, 2007; and

5 I am transmitting for the
6 consideration of your honorable body an
7 ordinance approving the redevelopment
8 proposal of the Redevelopment Authority
9 of the City of Philadelphia for the
10 redevelopment of the 9th and Ellsworth
11 Urban Renewal Area; and

12 An ordinance authorizing the
13 Philadelphia Authority for Industrial
14 Development to file an application with
15 the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, under
16 the Redevelopment Assistance Capital
17 Program, in an aggregate amount not to
18 exceed \$500,000 to assist in the
19 development of the Lutheran Settlement
20 House; and

21 An ordinance authorizing the
22 Philadelphia Authority for Industrial
23 Development to file an application with
24 the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, under
25 the Redevelopment Assistance Capital

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2 Program, in an aggregate amount not to
3 exceed \$2,100,000 to assist in the
4 development of the Jewish Employment and
5 Vocational Services, Jewish Community
6 Center of Philadelphia.

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

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

13 THE CLERK: I have none, Madam
14 President.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
16 you.

17 The next order of business is
18 the introduction of bills and
19 resolutions, and the Chair recognizes
20 Councilwoman Blackwell for a motion.

21 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
22 you, Madam President. I move that the
23 rules of Council be suspended in order to
24 permit the immediate consideration of
25 resolutions at their time of

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2 introduction.

3 (Duly seconded.)

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
5 has been moved and properly seconded that
6 the rules of Council be suspended so as
7 to permit immediate consideration of
8 resolutions at the time of introduction.

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

11 (Aye.)

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
13 opposed?

14 (No response.)

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
16 ayes have it and the motion carries.

17 The Chair recognizes Councilman
18 Kenney.

19 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you,
20 Madam President. I have no bills or
21 resolutions today.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
23 Chair thanks the gentleman.

24 The Chair recognizes
25 Councilwoman Blackwell.

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2 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
3 you, Madam President. Today I introduce
4 three resolutions.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
6 you.

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

9 THE CLERK: A resolution urging
10 President Bush and the U.S. Congress to
11 take immediate and decisive action to
12 remediate the poor living conditions at
13 the Walter Reed Army Medical Center and
14 other military hospitals.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
16 Chair again recognizes Councilwoman
17 Blackwell.

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

21 (Duly seconded.)

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

25 All in favor will please say

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2 aye.

3 (Aye.)

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
5 opposed?

6 (No response.)

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

10 The Clerk will please read the
11 next resolution.

12 THE CLERK: A resolution
13 calling for hearings on the art in City
14 Hall and the one percent for art programs
15 to explore how these programs can be made
16 to better serve the citizens of
17 Philadelphia.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
19 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell.

20 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
21 you, Madam President. I move for the
22 adoption of the resolution.

23 (Duly seconded.)

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
25 has been moved and seconded that the

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2 resolution be adopted.

3 All in favor will please say
4 aye.

5 (Aye.)

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
7 opposed?

8 (No response.)

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
10 ayes have it and the motion carries.

11 We will now hear the third
12 resolution.

13 THE CLERK: A resolution
14 congratulating Charlesretta Meade,
15 Esquire on her appointment as the Chair
16 of the Philadelphia Board of Revision of
17 Taxes.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
19 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell.

20 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
21 you, Madam President. I move for the
22 adoption of the resolution.

23 (Duly seconded.)

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

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2 the resolution be adopted.
3 All in favor will say aye.
4 (Aye.)
5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
6 opposed?
7 (No response.)
8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
9 ayes have it and the resolution is
10 adopted.
11 The Chair recognizes Councilman
12 Greenlee.
13 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Thank
14 you, Madam President. I have no bills or
15 resolutions today.
16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
17 Chair thanks the gentleman.
18 The Chair recognizes
19 Councilwoman Krajewski.
20 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Thank
21 you, Madam President. I have no bills or
22 resolutions.
23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
24 you.
25 The Chair recognizes

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2 Councilwoman Tasco.

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

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

8 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Good
9 morning, Madam President. Today I have
10 no bills or resolutions.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
12 you.

13 The Chair recognizes Councilman
14 Savage.

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

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
19 Chair thanks the gentleman.

20 The Chair recognizes Councilman
21 DiCicco.

22 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Thank you,
23 Madam President. I offer one bill.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
25 you.

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2 The Clerk will please read the
3 title of the bill.

4 THE CLERK: An ordinance
5 approving the redevelopment proposal of
6 the Redevelopment Authority of the City
7 of Philadelphia for the redevelopment of
8 the 9th and Ellsworth Urban Renewal Area.

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

12 The Chair recognizes
13 Councilwoman Brown.

14 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Thank you,
15 Madam President. I offer one resolution
16 today.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
18 you.

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

21 THE CLERK: A resolution urging
22 the General Assembly of the Commonwealth
23 of Pennsylvania to enact House Bill No.
24 118 which lowers the mandatory school age
25 in Philadelphia from eight to six.

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

4 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Thank you,
5 Madam President. I move for the
6 adoption.

7 (Duly seconded.)

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

11 All in favor will indicate by
12 saying aye.

13 (Aye.)

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
15 opposed?

16 (No response.)

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

20 The Chair recognizes Councilman
21 Goode.

22 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you,
23 Madam President. I have no bills or
24 resolutions today.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

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2 Philadelphia to address the gross
3 injustices and indignities suffered by
4 the disabled veterans of the Delaware
5 Valley.

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

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

10 (Duly seconded.)

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

14 All in favor will say aye.

15 (Aye.)

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
17 opposed?

18 (No response.)

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

22 The Clerk will please read the
23 title of the second resolution.

24 THE CLERK: A resolution
25 authorizing City Council's Committee on

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2 the Disabled and Handicapped to forward
3 its findings and recommendations to
4 Pennsylvania Senators Arlen Specter and
5 Robert Casey, Jr. for their use and
6 application in addressing the pressing
7 need in the Delaware Valley for a
8 certified rehabilitation medical
9 facility.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:
11 Again, the Chair recognizes Councilwoman
12 Campbell.

13 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: I move
14 for the adoption.

15 (Duly seconded.)

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

19 All in favor will say aye.

20 (Aye.)

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
22 opposed?

23 (No response.)

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

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2 and will be referred to the appropriate
3 committee.

4 We will now hear the third
5 resolution.

6 THE CLERK: A resolution
7 authorizing City Council's Committee on
8 Transportation and Public Utilities to
9 hold public hearings to investigate and
10 determine the progress of the Market
11 Elevated Reconstruction Project and to
12 further investigate and determine whether
13 SEPTA cannot do more to alleviate the
14 displacement and financial desolation
15 suffered by many of the small business
16 owners and residents who are directly
17 impacted.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
19 Chair again recognizes Councilwoman
20 Campbell.

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

23 (Duly seconded.)

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
25 has been moved and seconded that the

1 3/8/07 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS

2 resolution be adopted.

3 All in favor will say aye.

4 (Aye.)

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
6 opposed?

7 (No response.)

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
9 ayes have it, and the resolution will be
10 referred to the Committee on
11 Transportation and Public Utilities.

12 We will now hear the fourth
13 resolution.

14 THE CLERK: A resolution
15 authorizing City Council's Committee on
16 the Disabled and Handicapped to hold
17 hearings to investigate and determine how
18 many disabled and/or handicapped
19 veterans, especially Iraq and Afghanistan
20 War veterans, are living in the Delaware
21 Valley.

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

24 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: I move
25 for the adoption of the resolution.

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2 (Duly seconded.)

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

6 All in favor will say aye.

7 (Aye.)

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
9 opposed?

10 (No response.)

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
12 ayes have it, and the resolution will be
13 referred to the appropriate committee.

14 The Chair recognizes Councilman
15 O'Neill.

16 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Madam
17 President, I offer one bill.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
19 you.

20 The Clerk will please read the
21 title of the bill.

22 THE CLERK: An ordinance
23 authorizing the Philadelphia Authority
24 for Industrial Development to file an
25 application with the Office of the

1 3/8/07 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS
2 Budget, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
3 under the Redevelopment Assistance
4 Capital Program, in an aggregate amount
5 not to exceed \$2,100,000 to assist in the
6 development of the Jewish Employment and
7 Vocational Services, the Jewish Community
8 Center of Philadelphia.

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

12 The Chair recognizes Councilman
13 Clarke.

14 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Thank you,
15 Madam President. I have two bills.

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
17 you.

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

20 THE CLERK: An ordinance
21 authorizing the Philadelphia Authority
22 for Industrial Development to file an
23 application with the Commonwealth of
24 Pennsylvania, under the Redevelopment
25 Assistance Capital Program, in an

1 3/8/07 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS
2 aggregate amount not to exceed \$500,000
3 to assist in the development of the
4 Lutheran Settlement House.

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

8 THE CLERK: And an ordinance
9 granting permission to Asia Alnawasreh,
10 owner and operator of the newsstand
11 located on the southwest corner of Broad
12 Street and Spring Garden Street, to
13 construct, use and maintain conduits for
14 fiberoptic facilities.

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

18 The Chair recognizes Councilman
19 Kelly.

20 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Yes. Madam
21 President, I offer one privileged
22 resolution, which is co-sponsored by
23 Councilman Savage.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
25 Clerk will please read the title of the

1 3/8/07 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS
2 resolution.

3 THE CLERK: A resolution
4 recognizing, honoring, celebrating and
5 thanking Dr. John J. Mulhern for his 15
6 years of extraordinary commitment in
7 training leaders for all levels of public
8 service at the University of Pennsylvania
9 Fels Institute of Government.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
11 Chair recognizes Councilman Kelly.

12 COUNCILMAN KELLY: I move for
13 the adoption.

14 (Duly seconded.)

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

18 All in favor will say aye.

19 (Aye.)

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
21 opposed?

22 (No response.)

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

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2 The Chair recognizes Councilman
3 Rizzo.

4 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Madam
5 President, I offer one bill today.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
7 you.

8 The Clerk will please read the
9 title of the bill.

10 THE CLERK: An ordinance
11 amending Title 20 of The Philadelphia
12 Code, entitled "Officers and Employees,"
13 by adding a new Chapter, entitled
14 "Lobbying," under certain terms and
15 conditions.

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

19 The next order of business is
20 reports from committees, and the Chair
21 recognizes Councilman Clarke for a report
22 from the Rules Committee.

23 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Thank you,
24 Madam President. The Committee on Rules
25 reports one bill with a favorable

1 3/8/07 - STATED - REPORTS

2 recommendation.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
4 you.

5 The Clerk will please read the
6 report.

7 THE CLERK: To the President
8 and members of the Council of the City of
9 Philadelphia, the Committee on Rules, to
10 which was referred Bill No. 070051,
11 entitled "An ordinance amending Section
12 14-1611 of The Philadelphia Code,
13 entitled 'Benjamin Franklin Parkway
14 Controls,' by amending certain provisions
15 of the Special Height Control District
16 for the Benjamin Franklin Parkway and by
17 making certain technical changes, all
18 under certain terms and conditions,"
19 respectfully reports it has considered
20 the same and returns the attached bill to
21 Council with a favorable recommendation.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
23 you.

24 The Chair recognizes Councilman
25 Clarke.

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2 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Thank you,
3 Madam President. I move that the rules
4 of Council be suspended so as to permit
5 first reading this day of Bill No.
6 070051.

7 (Duly seconded.)

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
9 has been moved and properly seconded that
10 the rules of Council be suspended so as
11 to permit first reading this day of the
12 bill just reported from the committee.

13 All in favor will say aye.

14 (Aye.)

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
16 opposed?

17 (No response.)

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
19 ayes have it and the bill just read will
20 be placed on our First Reading Calendar
21 for today.

22 The Chair now recognizes
23 Councilman Greenlee for a report from the
24 Committee on Law and Government.

25 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Thank

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2 the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter
3 relating to the location of licensed
4 gaming facilities within the City, as
5 proposed by a petition filed with the
6 Council," respectfully reports it has
7 considered the same and returns the
8 attached bill and resolution to Council
9 with a favorable recommendation.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
11 you.

12 The Chair recognizes Councilman
13 Greenlee.

14 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Madam
15 President, I move that the rules of
16 Council be suspended so as to permit
17 first reading this day of Bill No.
18 070112.

19 (Duly seconded.)

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
21 has been moved and properly seconded that
22 the rules of Council be suspended so as
23 to permit first reading this day of Bill
24 No. 070112.

25 All in favor will indicate by

1 3/8/07 - STATED - 1ST READING

2 of the Schuylkill River to the
3 northwesterly Pierhead and Bulkhead Line
4 of the Schuylkill River."

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
6 Chair agrees.

7 THE CLERK: And Bill No.
8 070051, entitled "An ordinance amending
9 Section 14-1611 of The Philadelphia Code,
10 entitled 'Benjamin Franklin Parkway
11 Controls,' by amending certain provisions
12 of the Special Height Control District
13 for the Benjamin Franklin Parkway."

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
15 Chair agrees.

16 THE CLERK: And Bill No.
17 070112, entitled "An ordinance providing
18 for the submission to the qualified
19 electors of the City of Philadelphia of a
20 proposed amendment to the Philadelphia
21 Home Rule Charter relating to the
22 location of licensed gaming facilities
23 within the City, as proposed by a
24 petition presented to the Council and
25 approved for submission to the electors

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2 by resolution."

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
4 Chair agrees.

5 That completes our First
6 Reading Calendar.

7 The Chair now recognizes
8 Councilwoman Blackwell for the purpose of
9 calling up the bills on Second Reading
10 and Final Passage to be considered today.

11 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
12 you, Madam President. Today our Calendar
13 begins on Page 3 where we will hear Bill
14 No. 070048-A. Page 4, Bill No. 070075-A.
15 We turn then to Page No. 10 where we will
16 hear 060898, 899. 070016 will be
17 amended, and we will hear the rest of the
18 bills on both pages, 10 and 11. They are
19 Bill Nos. 070074, 78, 060828 and 060892.
20 All other bills are being held.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
22 you.

23 I would ask the Clerk to please
24 read the title of Bill No. 070075-A.

25 THE CLERK: An ordinance

1 3/8/07 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 constituting the Eighth Supplemental
3 Ordinance to the General Gas Works
4 Revenue Bond Ordinance of 1998;
5 authorizing the Mayor, the City
6 Controller and the City Solicitor, or a
7 majority of them, to sell, either at
8 public or private sale, Gas Works Revenue
9 Bonds, Seventh Series.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This
11 bill having been read on two different
12 days, the question now is shall the bill
13 pass finally.

14 The Clerk will please call the
15 roll.

16 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
17 Blackwell.

18 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

19 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
20 Campbell.

21 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Aye.

22 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke.

23 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

24 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco.

25 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.

1 3/8/07 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode.
3 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
4 THE CLERK: Councilman
5 Greenlee.
6 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Aye.
7 THE CLERK: Councilman Kelly.
8 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.
9 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney.
10 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
11 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
12 Krajewski.
13 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
14 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
15 Miller.
16 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
17 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill.
18 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
19 THE CLERK: Councilman Ramos.
20 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Aye.
21 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
22 Reynolds Brown.
23 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.
24 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.
25 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

1 3/8/07 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 THE CLERK: Councilman Savage.

3 COUNCILMAN SAVAGE: Aye.

4 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco.

5 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

6 THE CLERK: Council President
7 Verna.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

9 The ayes are 17; the nays are zero. A
10 majority of all members having voted in
11 the affirmative, the bill passes.

12 I would ask the Clerk to please
13 read the title of Bill No. 070048 on Page
14 3.

15 THE CLERK: An ordinance
16 constituting the Nineteenth Supplemental
17 Ordinance to the General Gas Works
18 Revenue Bond Ordinance of 1975;
19 authorizing the Mayor, the City
20 Controller and the City Solicitor, or a
21 majority of them, to sell, either at
22 public or private sale, Gas Works Revenue
23 Bonds, Nineteenth Series.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This
25 bill having been read on two different

1 3/8/07 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 days, the question now is shall the bill
3 pass finally.
4 The Clerk will please call the
5 roll.
6 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
7 Blackwell.
8 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.
9 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
10 Campbell.
11 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Aye.
12 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke.
13 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.
14 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco.
15 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.
16 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode.
17 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
18 THE CLERK: Councilman
19 Greenlee.
20 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Aye.
21 THE CLERK: Councilman Kelly.
22 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.
23 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney.
24 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
25 THE CLERK: Councilwoman

1 3/8/07 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 Krajewski.
3 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
4 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
5 Miller.
6 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
7 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill.
8 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
9 THE CLERK: Councilman Ramos.
10 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Aye.
11 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
12 Reynolds Brown.
13 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.
14 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.
15 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
16 THE CLERK: Councilman Savage.
17 COUNCILMAN SAVAGE: Aye.
18 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco.
19 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
20 THE CLERK: Council President
21 Verna.
22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
23 The ayes are 17; the nays are zero. A
24 majority of all members having voted in
25 the affirmative, the bill passes.

1 3/8/07 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 We will now consider Bill No.
3 060898.

4 THE CLERK: An ordinance
5 authorizing and directing the placement
6 upon City Plan No. 350 of a certain
7 50-foot-wide and 60-foot-wide
8 right-of-way for water main and drainage
9 purposes in the area northeast of
10 Susquehanna Road and northwest of Verree
11 Road.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This
13 bill having been read on two different
14 days, the question now is shall the bill
15 pass finally.

16 The Clerk will please call the
17 roll.

18 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
19 Blackwell.

20 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

21 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
22 Campbell.

23 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Aye.

24 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke.

25 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

1 3/8/07 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco.
3 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.
4 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode.
5 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
6 THE CLERK: Councilman
7 Greenlee.
8 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Aye.
9 THE CLERK: Councilman Kelly.
10 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.
11 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney.
12 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
13 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
14 Krajewski.
15 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
16 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
17 Miller.
18 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
19 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill.
20 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
21 THE CLERK: Councilman Ramos.
22 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Aye.
23 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
24 Reynolds Brown.
25 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.

1 3/8/07 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.

3 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

4 THE CLERK: Councilman Savage.

5 COUNCILMAN SAVAGE: Aye.

6 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco.

7 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

8 THE CLERK: Council President

9 Verna.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

11 The ayes are 17; the nays are zero. A
12 majority of all members having voted in
13 the affirmative, this bill passes.

14 The next bill to be considered
15 is Bill No. 060899.

16 THE CLERK: An ordinance
17 authorizing and directing the revision of
18 lines and grades on a portion of City
19 Plan No. 359 by placing on the City Plan
20 St. Thomas Drive on the northeasterly
21 side of Tomlinson Road.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This
23 bill having been read on two different
24 days, the question now is shall the bill
25 pass finally.

1 3/8/07 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 The Clerk will please call the
3 roll.
4 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
5 Blackwell.
6 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.
7 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
8 Campbell.
9 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Aye.
10 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke.
11 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.
12 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco.
13 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.
14 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode.
15 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
16 THE CLERK: Councilman
17 Greenlee.
18 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Aye.
19 THE CLERK: Councilman Kelly.
20 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.
21 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney.
22 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
23 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
24 Krajewski.
25 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

1 3/8/07 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
3 Miller.
4 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
5 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill.
6 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
7 THE CLERK: Councilman Ramos.
8 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Aye.
9 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
10 Reynolds Brown.
11 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.
12 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.
13 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
14 THE CLERK: Councilman Savage.
15 COUNCILMAN SAVAGE: Aye.
16 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco.
17 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
18 THE CLERK: Council President
19 Verna.
20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
21 The ayes are 17; the nays are zero. A
22 majority of all members having voted in
23 the affirmative, the bill passes.
24 We will now consider Bill No.
25 070016.

1 3/8/07 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 THE CLERK: An ordinance
3 amending Title 11 of The Philadelphia
4 Code, entitled "Streets," by prohibiting
5 the construction or establishment of curb
6 cuts for vehicular access to certain
7 shopping areas.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
9 Chair recognizes Councilman O'Neill.

10 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Madam
11 President, I have an amendment to Bill
12 No. 070016. The amendment has been
13 circulated, and I move for the adoption
14 of the amendment.

15 (Duly seconded.)

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
17 has been moved and seconded that the
18 amendment be approved.

19 All in favor will say aye.

20 (Aye.)

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
22 opposed?

23 (No response.)

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
25 ayes have it and the motion carries.

1 3/8/07 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 We will now consider Bill No.
3 070074.

4 THE CLERK: An ordinance
5 granting permission to Krishna Krupa,
6 owner and operator of the newsstand
7 located on the northwest corner of Broad
8 and Locust Streets, to construct, use and
9 maintain conduits for fiberoptic
10 facilities.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: This
12 bill having been read on two different
13 days, the question now is shall the bill
14 pass finally.

15 The Clerk will please call the
16 roll.

17 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
18 Blackwell.

19 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

20 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
21 Campbell.

22 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Aye.

23 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke.

24 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

25 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco.

1 3/8/07 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.
3 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode.
4 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
5 THE CLERK: Councilman
6 Greenlee.
7 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Aye.
8 THE CLERK: Councilman Kelly.
9 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.
10 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney.
11 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
12 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
13 Krajewski.
14 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
15 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
16 Miller.
17 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
18 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill.
19 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
20 THE CLERK: Councilman Ramos.
21 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Aye.
22 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
23 Reynolds Brown.
24 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.
25 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.

1 3/8/07 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

3 THE CLERK: Councilman Savage.

4 COUNCILMAN SAVAGE: Aye.

5 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco.

6 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

7 THE CLERK: Council President

8 Verna.

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

10 The ayes are 17; the nays are zero. A
11 majority of all members having voted in
12 the affirmative, the bill passes.

13 The next bill to be considered
14 is Bill No. 070078.

15 THE CLERK: An ordinance
16 regulating the direction of movement of
17 traffic on Oxford Street between Broad
18 Street and 13th Street.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This
20 bill having been read on two different
21 dates, the question now is shall the bill
22 pass finally.

23 The Clerk will please call the
24 roll.

25 THE CLERK: Councilwoman

1 3/8/07 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 Blackwell.
3 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.
4 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
5 Campbell.
6 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Aye.
7 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke.
8 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.
9 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco.
10 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.
11 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode.
12 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
13 THE CLERK: Councilman
14 Greenlee.
15 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Aye.
16 THE CLERK: Councilman Kelly.
17 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.
18 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney.
19 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
20 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
21 Krajewski.
22 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
23 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
24 Miller.
25 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.

1 3/8/07 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill.
3 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
4 THE CLERK: Councilman Ramos.
5 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Aye.
6 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
7 Reynolds Brown.
8 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.
9 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.
10 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
11 THE CLERK: Councilman Savage.
12 COUNCILMAN SAVAGE: Aye.
13 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco.
14 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
15 THE CLERK: Council President
16 Verna.
17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
18 The ayes are 17; the nays are zero. A
19 majority of all members having voted in
20 the affirmative, this bill passes.
21 The next bill to be considered
22 is Bill No. 060828.
23 THE CLERK: An ordinance
24 amending Section 22-311 of The
25 Philadelphia Code, entitled

1 3/8/07 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 "Cost-of-Living Measures for Retirees,
3 Beneficiaries and Survivors," by amending
4 the provisions governing when deposits
5 are made into the Pension Adjustment
6 Fund.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This
8 bill having been read on two different
9 dates, the question now is shall the bill
10 pass finally.

11 The Clerk will please call the
12 roll.

13 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
14 Blackwell.

15 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

16 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
17 Campbell.

18 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Aye.

19 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke.

20 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

21 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco.

22 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.

23 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode.

24 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

25 THE CLERK: Councilman

1 3/8/07 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 Greenlee.
3 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Aye.
4 THE CLERK: Councilman Kelly.
5 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.
6 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney.
7 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
8 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
9 Krajewski.
10 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
11 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
12 Miller.
13 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
14 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill.
15 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
16 THE CLERK: Councilman Ramos.
17 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Aye.
18 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
19 Reynolds Brown.
20 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.
21 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.
22 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
23 THE CLERK: Councilman Savage.
24 COUNCILMAN SAVAGE: Aye.
25 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco.

1 3/8/07 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: Aye.

3 THE CLERK: Council President

4 Verna.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

6 The ayes are 17; the nays are zero. A
7 majority of all members having voted in
8 the affirmative, this bill passes.

9 (Applause.)

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Our
11 final bill is Bill No. 060892.

12 THE CLERK: An ordinance
13 amending Title 20 of The Philadelphia
14 Code, entitled "Officers and Employees,"
15 by providing a civil service preference
16 for the children of Philadelphia police
17 officers and firefighters who were killed
18 or died in the line of duty.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This
20 bill having been read on two different
21 days, the question now is shall the bill
22 pass finally.

23 The Clerk will please call the
24 roll.

25 THE CLERK: Councilwoman

1 3/8/07 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 Blackwell.
3 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.
4 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
5 Campbell.
6 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Aye.
7 THE CLERK: Councilman Clarke.
8 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.
9 THE CLERK: Councilman DiCicco.
10 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.
11 THE CLERK: Councilman Goode.
12 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
13 THE CLERK: Councilman
14 Greenlee.
15 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Aye.
16 THE CLERK: Councilman Kelly.
17 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.
18 THE CLERK: Councilman Kenney.
19 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
20 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
21 Krajewski.
22 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
23 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
24 Miller.
25 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.

1 3/8/07 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 THE CLERK: Councilman O'Neill.
3 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
4 THE CLERK: Councilman Ramos.
5 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Aye.
6 THE CLERK: Councilwoman
7 Reynolds Brown.
8 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.
9 THE CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.
10 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
11 THE CLERK: Councilman Savage.
12 COUNCILMAN SAVAGE: Aye.
13 THE CLERK: Councilwoman Tasco.
14 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
15 THE CLERK: Council President
16 Verna.
17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
18 The ayes are 17; the nays are zero. A
19 majority of all members having voted in
20 the affirmative, this bill passes.
21 (Applause.)
22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: That
23 concludes our Calendar for today.
24 Are there speeches on the part
25 of the minority?

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2 The Chair recognizes Councilman
3 Rizzo.

4 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Thank you,
5 Madam President. Today I introduced a
6 bill --

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:
8 Councilman, just a moment, please.
9 Please proceed.

10 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Thank you,
11 Madam President. Today I introduced a
12 bill. My lobbyist registration bill
13 responds to the Committee of Seventy's
14 call for legislation as part of the
15 ethics reform agenda to address its
16 concerns that lobbyists or lawyers acting
17 as lobbyists are often perceived as
18 having improper or undue influence on
19 decisions made by the Mayor, City Council
20 and other departments, agencies and
21 commissions.

22 Among other requirements, my
23 legislation provides for registration and
24 expense reporting. My lobbyist
25 regulation bill builds on the heritage of

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2 our deceased esteemed colleague
3 Councilman David Cohen. His Bill No.
4 050461 suffered from several fatal
5 defects having to do with
6 unconstitutionality and attorney-client
7 privilege. My legislation addresses
8 those concerns.

9 The State Supreme Court has
10 since then promulgated Rule of
11 Professional Conduct 1.19, which provides
12 that lawyers shall comply with certain
13 lobbying regulations, and this bill will
14 require registration of lobbyists and
15 principals and only require expense
16 reporting by principals, thus getting the
17 desired financial disclosure from the
18 parties not protected by the
19 attorney-client privilege. Also my
20 legislation takes into account the recent
21 creation of Philadelphia's new
22 independent Board of Ethics, giving it a
23 large role in administration and
24 enforcement.

25 This is a good bill. It should

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2 satisfy the Committee of Seventy and its
3 contribution to transparency through
4 disclosure and, therefore, contribute to
5 public confidence in our city government.

6 I will introduce other bills in
7 future sessions dealing with the
8 Committee of Seventy's call for ethics
9 reform legislation addressing gifts,
10 nepotism and outside employment.

11 Lincoln Stevens' oft quoted
12 long ago observation that Philadelphia is
13 content and corrupt should be no more
14 than an unfortunate historical footnote.

15 Thank you.

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

17 You're welcome.

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

20 The Chair recognizes Councilman
21 DiCicco.

22 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Thank you,
23 Madam President. I appreciate this
24 opportunity.

25 Since last week, Madam

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2 President, my fellow colleagues, a lot
3 has happened on the issue of gaming and I
4 wanted to take this opportunity to bring
5 all of you up to date and give you my
6 thoughts on it.

7 On Friday, City Council
8 provided another opportunity for our
9 constituents, the residents of the City
10 of Philadelphia, to voice their concerns
11 over gaming. As a result, Council's
12 Committee on Law and Government voted
13 unanimously to report the gaming
14 referendum with a favorable
15 recommendation. Simultaneously, City
16 Council's independent attorneys were
17 completing our appeal to the Pennsylvania
18 Gaming Control Board. That appeal was
19 filed last Friday. By Monday afternoon,
20 four additional appeals had been filed,
21 three by constituent groups and one by
22 the River Walk Casino operators or
23 applicants. That was the minority group
24 that was interested in building a casino
25 on the former incinerator site.

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2 Things seemed to be going well,
3 until last Tuesday. On Tuesday, the City
4 Solicitor filed a motion to strike the
5 City of Philadelphia from City Council's
6 appeal. In his opinion, City Council
7 exceeded its authority when we adopted a
8 resolution that -- and I quote --
9 "authorizes City Council to retain
10 outside counsel to commence legal
11 proceedings on behalf of the City of
12 Philadelphia," end quote.

13 Maybe he's right. Maybe a
14 unanimous vote by City Council, all of us
15 representing our respective
16 constituencies, maybe that's not enough
17 to retain counsel on behalf of the City.
18 Maybe that's strictly within the purview
19 of the Mayor and the City Solicitor.
20 Unfortunately, neither the Administration
21 nor the Solicitor has decided to stand up
22 for our constituents. Despite admitting
23 that the state process was flawed,
24 despite being unhappy with at least one
25 of the sites that was selected, despite

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2 gaming being another example of
3 Harrisburg trampling on the City's rights
4 to the Home Rule, just like the state
5 takeover of the School District, the
6 Parking Authority and the Convention
7 Center, despite those things, this
8 Administration and our Law Department
9 have chosen to passively accept the
10 state's intrusion rather than fight.

11 I want all of our constituents
12 to know and I'm asking all of you to join
13 me in saying we will not abandon you. We
14 will continue to fight for our
15 constituents, because it's time for
16 someone to defend Philadelphia for
17 Philadelphia's sake.

18 Something else happened on
19 Tuesday. The petitions that were
20 gathered to be placed on the gaming
21 referendum on the May ballot was ruled
22 invalid. Some people would like us to
23 use that ruling as an excuse to cover, to
24 ignore our constituents' will.
25 Councilman Goode, however, said it best

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2 last Friday: The residents of the City
3 of Philadelphia deserve to have their
4 voice heard on this issue. Maybe they'll
5 support the initiative, maybe they won't.
6 Either way, they deserve a voice. And if
7 our state Representatives and Senators do
8 not agree to give them a voice, then I
9 believe it is our job to ensure that they
10 are heard.

11 I find it ironic because we're
12 going to stand up for our constituents
13 we're going to be accused of running for
14 the hills. Of course, we need to
15 remember that those words are coming from
16 the people who sent private investigators
17 and attorneys door to door. They're the
18 people that dragged an elderly black
19 blind woman out in the snow for dramatic
20 effect. They're the people that when
21 their own petition was being challenged
22 they had a friendly judge allow them to
23 withdraw their witness and their evidence
24 by making a very friendly suggestion and
25 ruling.

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2 For the record, I wanted to be
3 heard in the law offices of Philadelphia,
4 in the halls of the Capitol, in the woods
5 of Connecticut and perhaps, most
6 importantly, in the streets of Chicago.
7 Chicago is the home base of one of the
8 operators for one of the sites selected.
9 It's those tactics that guarantee that I
10 am going to fight until the end. And
11 I'll be asking all of you to join me in
12 voting in favor of the referendum next
13 week.

14 It is time for someone to stand
15 up. We are the last defense for the
16 citizens of this city.

17 Thank you, Madam President.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

19 You're welcome.

20 Are there any other speeches on
21 the part of the majority?

22 (No response.)

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
24 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Campbell.

25 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Yes. I

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2 would like to recognize Ms. Neil and
3 students from the School of the Future.
4 They're here today.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: If
6 they would stand, we would certainly be
7 very happy to recognize them.

8 Are you up in the balcony?
9 Welcome.

10 (Applause.)

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:
12 Welcome.

13 Are there any other speeches on
14 the part of the majority?

15 (No response.)

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:
17 Seeing no one, the Chair recognizes
18 Councilwoman Tasco for a motion to
19 adjourn.

20 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Madam
21 President, I move that Council stand
22 adjourned until Thursday, March 15th at
23 10:00 a.m.

24 (Duly seconded.)

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It

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2 has been moved and seconded that Council
3 stand adjourned until Thursday, March
4 15th at 10:00 a.m.

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

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
8 opposed?

9 (No response.)

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
11 ayes have it and the motion carries.

12 (Stated Meeting adjourned at
13 11:10 a.m.)

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