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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, October 21, 2004
10:05 a.m.

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PRESENT:

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COUNCIL PRESIDENT ANNA C. VERNA

COUNCILWOMAN JANNIE BLACKWELL

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 JACK KELLY

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COUNCILMAN JAMES F. KENNEY

COUNCILWOMAN JOAN L. KRAJEWSKI

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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 JUAN RAMOS

COUNCILWOMAN BLONDELL REYNOLDS BROWN

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COUNCILMAN FRANK RIZZO

COUNCILWOMAN MARIAN B. TASCO

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Good
3 morning. I note that the hour has come and
4 that a quorum of this Council is present.
5 This Council will please come to order.
6 Members will take their seats, and visitors
7 will retire to the seats outside the rails.

8 To give our invocation this morning,
9 the Chair welcomes Reverend Rodney Adam Lyde
10 of the Mount Sinai Baptist church. He is here
11 today as the guest of Councilman Clarke. All
12 members and guests will please rise.

13 REVEREND LYDE: Let us pray.

14 Oh, Lord, here we are, people
15 gathered together from all different places,
16 from different walks of life; but
17 nevertheless, gathered together for one cause,
18 to make this place, to make this City better
19 than how we have seen it. May we put aside
20 differences and unite for our common cause.
21 May we, God, as we do so, seek you first; and
22 moreover, God, as we work together, remember
23 the causes that are ever before us. Lord,
24 give us the strength, the endurance of faith,
25 and the hope that indeed what we do can indeed

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2 ameliorate and to alleviate the causes and the
3 conditions that plague this great City. We
4 remember to pray for those who are less
5 fortunate than us, remembering the honor and
6 privilege to be called a servant. And I pray
7 for all of the servants here all gathered in
8 this place that they indeed might have the
9 humility that is a requisite to be a servant
10 leader and a leading servant. May your
11 blessings be upon everyone that is gathered
12 here and represented here, remembering above
13 all else that you have created all, that you
14 are over all, and that indeed you bless all.
15 We ask you, God, to be present among us even
16 now. We acknowledge who you are and we submit
17 and surrender to your authority and to who you
18 are, asking you, God, to help us decrease that
19 you might increase, that we might lessen that
20 you might be more, and that your cause, which
21 is for justice, righteousness, peace, and
22 togetherness, might move to the forefront, oh,
23 God. We do ask this prayer in humble
24 submission, in the name of Jesus we do pray,
25 amen.

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
3 thanks Reverend Lyde for his very inspiring
4 invocation.

5 Council will be at ease.

6 (Council at ease.)

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The next
8 order of business is the approval of the
9 Journal of the meeting of Thursday, October
10 14, 2004, and the Chair recognizes
11 Councilwoman Blackwell.

12 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,
13 Madam President. I move that the Journal of
14 the meeting of Thursday, October 14, 2004,
15 stand approved.

16 (Duly seconded.)

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It has
18 been moved and properly seconded that the
19 Journal of the meeting of Thursday, October
20 14, 2004, stand approved.

21 All in favor will signify by saying
22 aye.

23 (Aye.)

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Those
25 opposed?

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2 (No response.)

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The ayes
4 have it. The motion carries. And the Journal
5 the meeting of Thursday, October 14, 2004, is
6 approved.

7 The next order of business is
8 requests for leave of absence. And the Chair
9 again recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell.

10 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,
11 Madam President. There are no requests for
12 leaves of absence on the part of the Majority.

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

15 The Chair recognizes Councilman
16 O'Neill.

17 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: On behalf of
18 the Republicans, there are no requests for
19 leaves of absence.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

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

25 On behalf of all members of City

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

6 At this time the Chair recognizes
7 Councilman Rizzo.

8 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Madam President,
9 I'd like to introduce a young man that is
10 visiting from Bakersfield, California. His
11 name is Robert Nesheiwat.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: If he
13 would stand, we would certainly recognize him.

14 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: He's all the way
15 in the back. He's visiting. He's an
16 engineer, and he's William Nesheiwat's
17 brother, my legislative aid. So he's visiting
18 from California checking out our legislative
19 process.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: We welcome
21 you.

22 (Applause.)

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
24 recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell who will
25 present a resolution to someone we all know

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2 and respect. And we have certainly worked
3 with him and he has worked with us in City
4 Council for a number of years.

5 Would Mr. Rob Dubow and those
6 accompanying him please join the Councilwoman
7 at the podium?

8 Would Councilman O'Neill and
9 Councilwoman Brown please join Councilwoman
10 Blackwell?

11 I understand Councilman Mariano and
12 Councilman Kenney are also joining the
13 Councilwoman.

14 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Good
15 morning.

16 Resolution honoring Rob Dubow. The
17 Council of the City of Philadelphia is pleased
18 and proud to honor Budget Director Rob Dubow
19 for his loyal and dedicated service to the
20 citizens of Philadelphia.

21 Whereas, Mr. Dubow earned a master's
22 of business administration degree from Wharton
23 in 1987, where he majored in financial
24 analysis and a BA degree from the University
25 of Pennsylvania in 1981; and

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2 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Whereas, from
3 August 1990 to January 1992, Rob was a
4 research associate with the Pennsylvania
5 Economy League. In January of '92, he was
6 hired by PICA as their senior analyst. This
7 is where Rob developed expertise in analysis
8 of the City budget with specialization in
9 analysis of human service issues and state
10 funding formulas, and he developed the first
11 report analyzing this City's Five-Year
12 Financial Plan; and

13 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Whereas, in
14 March 1994, Mr. Dubow was hired by the Rendell
15 Administration as Assistant Budget Director.
16 He developed the first leave usage reporting
17 system and developed analysis of sanitation
18 worker productivity and social services
19 funding; and

20 Whereas in May 1996, Mr. Dubow was
21 promoted to Deputy Budget Director. He
22 supervised a program evaluation unit where he
23 was responsible for long range budget planning
24 and analysis. He developed the first
25 performance measurement system for the City

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2 which allowed the Administration to link
3 departmental spending with service delivery.
4 He also produced the Mayor's first report on
5 City services, a report that focused solely
6 discussion of service level and delivery;

7 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: And, whereas,
8 in August 1999, Mr. Dubow was promoted to his
9 current position as Budget Director and
10 reappointed by Mayor John street in January
11 2000. His keen insights and understanding of
12 the budget and budget process and his
13 willingness to sit through all the Council
14 hearings, and not yell at us -- no, I just
15 added that -- and his willingness to answer
16 all questions from Council has been invaluable
17 asset to this City Council, and for this we
18 are extremely grateful; now, therefore

19 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Resolved by the
20 Council of the City of Philadelphia that we
21 here by express our gratitude to Mr. Rob Dubow
22 for his loyal and dedicated service to the
23 citizens of the City of Philadelphia;

24 And further resolved that an
25 engrossed copy of this resolution be presented

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2 to Mr. Rob Dubow as evidence of the sincere
3 sentiments of this legislative body.

4 Congratulations and thank you.

5 (Applause.)

6 MR. DUBOW: Thank you.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
8 recognizes Mr. Dubow.

9 MR. DUBOW: Thank you. Thank you
10 very much. I really appreciate this a lot.
11 In a kind of strange masochistic way, I really
12 enjoyed my time up here. But I will say it's
13 much nicer being over here than sitting at the
14 table. Thank you very much.

15 (Applause.)

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Council
17 will be at ease.

18 (Council at ease.)

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: At this
20 time the Chair recognizes Councilman Nutter
21 who will present a resolution honoring the
22 Mural Arts Program.

23 Will Ms. Jane Golden and those
24 accompanying her please join the Councilman at
25 the podium.

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2 Councilman Nutter is being joined by
3 Councilwoman Brown.

4 Is Jane Golden here?

5 MS. GOLDEN: Yes.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
7 recognizes Councilman Nutter.

8 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Thank you, Madam
9 President.

10 Madam President, I'm joined by, as
11 you've acknowledged, Councilwoman Blondell
12 Reynolds Brown who was on the original board
13 of the Philadelphia Anti Graffiti Network
14 which was the predecessor organization to now
15 the Mural Arts Program. So she'll be reading
16 some of the resolution as well.

17 This is a resolution congratulating
18 the Mural Arts Program on the occasion of its
19 20 anniversary.

20 Whereas, in 1984, the Philadelphia
21 Anti Graffiti Network was founded by Mayor W.
22 Wilson Goode as part of a City-wide
23 anti-graffiti initiative; and

24 Whereas, the Anti Graffiti Network
25 engaged graffiti vandals in painting murals to

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2 enhance their community, and this
3 unconventional strategy provided many of these
4 young people with an opportunity to use art as
5 a means of avoiding the dangerous path of
6 vandalism, drugs and crime; and

7 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Whereas, in
8 1985, with the involvement of 100 young
9 people, the first mural, Life in the City, was
10 completed. It is painted on both sides of the
11 Spring Garden Street Bridge, spans 636 feet
12 and links West Philadelphia to Center City;
13 and

14 Whereas, in 1992, the Anti Graffiti
15 Network won the Prestigious Innovations in
16 American Government Award from the Ford
17 Foundation; and

18 Whereas, in 1996, Mayor Ed Rendell
19 restructured the Anti Graffiti Network and
20 designated the Mural Arts Program as a
21 distinct City program and established the
22 Philadelphia Mural Arts Advocates to help
23 advise and support the program; and

24 Whereas, in 1998, amidst racial
25 strife in Grace Ferry, the Peace Wall went up,

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2 and despite extreme skepticism, the mural
3 brought together divided residents and
4 gradually became a symbol of unity; and

5 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Whereas, the
6 Mural Arts Program now works with over 100
7 communities each year to create murals that
8 serve the unique needs of each neighborhood by
9 stabilizing abandoned lots, revitalizing open
10 spaces and inspiring civic pride; and

11 Whereas, since 1984, over 2,400
12 murals have been created, transforming
13 Philadelphia to the nation's City of Murals
14 and a leading model in neighborhood
15 revitalization through public art; and

16 Whereas, from Life in the City,
17 Tribute to Dr. J, Boy With Raised Arm, Peace
18 Wall, to the Age Story Common Threads, each
19 mural tells a story.

20 Now, therefore, resolved by the
21 Council of City of Philadelphia that we hereby
22 congratulate the Mural Arts Program on the
23 occasion of its 20th anniversary.

24 Further resolved that an engrossed
25 copy of this resolution be presented to Jane

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2 Golden as a symbol of the legislative body's
3 sincere appreciation for the permanent and
4 visible achievements of the many artists,
5 volunteers, community leaders and dedicated
6 staff of the Mural Arts Program.

7 Signed by Council President Verna
8 and cosponsored by all Members of City
9 Council.

10 (Applause.)

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
12 recognizes Ms. Golden for remarks.

13 MR. GOLDSMITH: Thank you.

14 Good morning, everyone. I just want
15 to say that the success that we've had is
16 really your success. I am deeply humbled and
17 grateful that the City has supported us all
18 these years. There's really not another City
19 anywhere that does this, and it's because the
20 Administration and City Council, you have
21 always been there for us. So thank you so
22 much.

23 There are 1100 kids in our after
24 school programs. We do about a hundred murals
25 each year. There are tours. There are people

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2 coming here from all over. And in
3 Philadelphia, every citizen has access to art,
4 and I feel deeply, deeply privileged to do
5 this job. I just want to, on behalf of my
6 staff and myself, thank you from the bottom of
7 our hearts.

8 (Applause.)

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

11 (Council at ease.)

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
13 again recognizes Councilman Nutter who will
14 present a resolution honoring City Year.

15 Will Mr. David Rosenblum and
16 Tiffanie Harris and those accompanying them
17 please join the Councilman at the podium.

18 The Chair recognizes Councilman
19 Nutter.

20 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Thank you, Madam
21 President. All I ever wanted was a City Year
22 jacket.

23 A bunch of years ago on a cold,
24 bright morning in Boston, I traveled with a
25 couple folks to talk about a new program that

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2 was going on across the country -- I'd never
3 heard of it -- called City Year. Eight years
4 later or so, Philadelphia City Year is not
5 only in place but one of the largest sites in
6 the United States of America. A group of
7 young people who are providing an incredible
8 service. This resolution is recognizing their
9 work and a new corps group for this year.

10 Congratulating City Year Greater
11 Philadelphia on its achievements and welcoming
12 the new class of corps members for 2004 to
13 2005 as they begin their year of service.

14 Whereas, City Year's mission is to
15 build democracy through citizen service, civic
16 leadership, and social entrepreneurship; and

17 Whereas, young adults between the
18 ages of 17 to 24 commit to a year of service
19 full-time for 10 months working in schools,
20 neighborhoods and community-based
21 organizations; and

22 Whereas, corps members receive
23 college tuition and professional training in
24 leadership development and project management
25 in addition to the positive changes they make

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2 through their public service; and

3 Whereas, City Year has 15 programs
4 throughout the United States and is operated
5 in the City of Philadelphia since 1997; and

6 Whereas, City Year Greater
7 Philadelphia is the largest site in the
8 network and has grown by 100 percent since its
9 inception; and

10 Whereas, the Philadelphia program
11 has delivered over 1,250,000 hours of
12 community service that have positively
13 impacted more than 50,000 Philadelphia
14 children by providing academic help and has
15 graduated more than 1,000 corps members; and

16 Whereas, a five-year study of City
17 Year Greater Philadelphia alumni found that
18 upon completing a year of service, they voted
19 nearly twice the rate of their peers, 89
20 percent are likely to volunteer regularly, 81
21 of those who had joined City Year prior to
22 receiving a high school diploma completed
23 their GED; and

24 Whereas, after completing a year of
25 service, 95 percent of corps members state

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2 that they have expanded job or educational
3 options; 98 percent say that they made friends
4 with people from different races, economic
5 backgrounds, religion and educational levels;
6 and 95 percent state that they made an
7 important difference in someone's life; and

8 Whereas, starting this fall, the
9 new class of 175 corps members will be
10 outfitted in their signature red jackets and
11 Timberland boots, they will be a positive
12 force throughout the city;

13 Now, therefore, resolved by the
14 Council of the City of Philadelphia that we
15 hereby congratulate City Year Greater
16 Philadelphia on its achievements and that we
17 welcome a class of corps members as they begin
18 their year of service.

19 I would only add I also want to
20 congratulate the members of board and the
21 co-chairs Joe Banner and Phil Baer for the
22 incredible job that they have done in making
23 City Year Greater Philadelphia one of the best
24 sites in the United States of America.

25 Congratulations.

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2 (Applause.)

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Before I
4 recognize Mr. Rosenblum and Ms. Harris, I
5 think we do have a number of members from this
6 group with us. If they would please stand, we
7 would love to recognize you.

8 (Applause.)

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you
10 for coming in.

11 The Chair recognizes Ms. Harris for
12 brief remarks.

13 MS. HARRIS: Good morning. My name
14 is Tiffanie Harris, and I was born and raised
15 in the Logan Olney Section of Philadelphia.
16 I'm a proud member of City Year 2004-2005
17 Corps, serving with City Heroes team.

18 MR. ROSENBLUM: My name is David
19 Rosenblum. I grew up in the Fox Chase section
20 of the Northeast, and I'm also a member of the
21 2004-2005 corps, proudly serving in University
22 City High School.

23 On behalf of the board, staff,
24 alumni, and entire corps of City Year Greater
25 Philadelphia who you see right up there in the

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2 the gallery today.

3 City Year, how ya'll feel?

4 CITY YEAR: Fired up.

5 MR. ROSENBLUM: How ya'll feel?

6 CITY YEAR: Fired up.

7 MR. ROSENBLUM: We are honored to
8 accept this resolution from our City Council.
9 The support that we receive from this Chamber
10 has made our service in Philadelphia possible.

11 MS. HARRIS: It has been seven years
12 since we began service in Philadelphia. We
13 are honored to represent not only this corps
14 but the seven generations of City Year Greater
15 Philadelphia corps members who came before us.
16 Just as you serve in the City on this Council,
17 so do we tutoring, mentoring in the classroom
18 every day and in after school programs across
19 the City. Our mission is to support the
20 positive development of youth through the
21 experience of service and civic engagement so
22 that they grow up confident, compassionate,
23 and educated citizens.

24 MR. ROSENBLUM: We're proud to
25 report THAT since 1971, City Year has

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2 performed 1.3 million hours of service in
3 Philadelphia. We believe we can do even more
4 to make Philadelphia stronger in our schools
5 and our communities, and we look forward to
6 coming back and giving you updates.

7 MS. HARRIS: We want to say a
8 special thanks to Councilman Michael Nutter
9 who has a board member for City Year all these
10 years and is a true champion of our service.

11 We want to say thank you in advance
12 to Councilman Mariano who is helping to make
13 our Serve-A-thon a great success.

14 Thank you to everyone because so
15 many of you have stepped forward to help us
16 build a stronger community. To all of you,
17 thank you for your service to Philadelphia and
18 thank you again for believing in City Year.

19 (Applause.)

20 MR. ROSENBLUM: Now, because we know
21 that some of you may wonder what we were doing
22 in front of City Hall each morning, we would
23 like to introduce you to our PT Crew who will
24 explain our morning physical training.

25 (Applause.)

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2 (PT Crew demonstrates physical
3 training: Front-side-back-side-front.)

4 (Applause.)

5 MS. HARRIS: We would like to thank
6 everyone for participating in our
7 front-side-back-side-front. That was an
8 excellent job. You looked beautiful.

9 Now we would like to present each
10 member of the City Council with a City Year
11 sweatshirt in honor of your service that you
12 give to our City.

13 (Applause.)

14 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: To my
15 colleagues, if there are any size discrepancy
16 issues, we'll work those out after the session
17 privately.

18 MR. ROSENBLUM: Thank you, everyone.

19 (Applause.)

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

22 (Council at ease.)

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The next
24 order of business is communications. The
25 Chair requests that the Sergeant-at-Arms

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2 deliver the messages from the Mayor to the
3 Chief Clerk.

4 The Chief Clerk will please read the
5 messages from the Mayor.

6 THE CHIEF CLERK: Madam President, I
7 have no messages this morning.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

9 The Chief Clerk will please read any
10 communications in her possession.

11 THE CHIEF CLERK: I have no
12 communications, Madam President.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

14 The next order of business is the
15 introduction of bills and resolutions.

16 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
17 Blackwell for a motion.

18 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,
19 Madam President. I move that the Rules of
20 Council be suspended in order to permit the
21 immediate consideration of resolutions at
22 their time of introduction.

23 (Duly seconded.)

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

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

5 All in favor will indicate by saying
6 aye.

7 (Aye.)

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
9 opposed?

10 (No response.)

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

13 The Chair recognizes Councilman
14 Kenney.

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

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

20 THE CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
21 honoring the Philadelphia based artist Henry
22 Bemudez, world-renown Venezuelan painter, on
23 the occasion of the Obix Arte and Design
24 Gallery, featuring Mr. Bemudez work.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair

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2 recognizes Councilman Kenney.

3 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Move the

4 adoption of the resolution.

5 (Duly seconded.)

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It has

7 been moved and properly seconded that the

8 resolution be adopted.

9 All in favor will indicate by saying

10 aye.

11 (Aye.)

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Those

13 opposed?

14 (No response.)

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The ayes

16 have it, and the resolution is adopted.

17 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman

18 Blackwell.

19 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,

20 Madam President. Today, I introduce no bills

21 or resolutions.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

23 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman

24 Krajewski.

25 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Madam

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2 President, I offer one bill.

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

5 THE CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
6 amending Section 2 of an ordinance, Bill No.
7 020430, approved November 13, 2002, entitled
8 an ordinance authorizing the revision of lines
9 and grades on a portion of City Plan No. 312
10 by striking from the City Plan and vacating
11 the legally open portions of Jackson Street
12 from Pearson Street to Aubrey Street by
13 extending the period for compliance with the
14 authorization conditions therein.

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

17 The Chair recognizes Councilman
18 Mariano.

19 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Madam
20 President, I have one bill and one resolution.

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

23 THE CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
24 amending Section 2 of an ordinance, Bill No.
25 010713, approved April 17, 2002, entitled an

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2 ordinance authorizing the revision of lines
3 and grades on a portion of City Plan No. 194
4 by extending the time for compliance with the
5 conditions stated therein.

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

8 THE CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
9 authorizing the Commissioner of Public
10 Property to execute and deliver to the
11 Redevelopment Authority deeds located in the
12 7th, 18th, 19th and 23rd Wards of the City of
13 Philadelphia.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
15 recognizes Councilman Mariano.

16 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Madam
17 President, I move for the adoption of this
18 resolution.

19 (Duly seconded.)

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

23 All in favor will signify by saying
24 aye.

25 (Aye.)

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Those
3 opposed?

4 (No response.)

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The ayes
6 have it, and the resolution is adopted.

7 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
8 Tasco.

9 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Madam
10 President, I offer two resolutions.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.
12 The Chief Clerk will please read the
13 title of the first resolution.

14 THE CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
15 declaring White Cane Month in the City of
16 Philadelphia.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
18 recognizes Councilwoman Tasco.

19 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: I move for the
20 adoption of the resolution.

21 (Duly seconded.)

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

25 All in favor will signify by saying

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2 aye.

3 (Aye.)

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
5 opposed?

6 (No response.)

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

9 THE CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
10 memorializing the Governor and General
11 Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
12 to appropriate supplemental state funds for
13 the federally funded low-income energy
14 assistance program allocations that will be
15 available for all households throughout the
16 Commonwealth that qualify for federal
17 assistance.

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

20 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: I move for the
21 adoption of the resolution.

22 (Duly seconded.)

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

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2 All in favor will say aye.

3 (Aye.)

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Those
5 opposed?

6 (No response.)

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The ayes
8 have it, and the resolution is adopted.

9 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
10 Miller.

11 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Thank you,
12 Madam President. Today, I have one
13 resolution.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

15 The Chief Clerk will please read the
16 title of the resolution.

17 THE CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
18 joining the nation in recognizing October 2004
19 as National Breast Cancer Awareness Month and
20 supporting the numerous activities recognizing
21 this effort around the country.

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

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

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2 (Duly seconded.)

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

6 All in favor will indicate by saying
7 aye.

8 (Aye.)

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Those
10 opposed?

11 (No response.)

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The ayes
13 have it, and the resolution is adopted.

14 The Chair recognizes Councilman
15 Nutter.

16 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Thank you, Madam
17 President. I offer one bill and three
18 resolutions.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

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

22 THE CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
23 amending Section 4 of an ordinance, Bill No.
24 010381, approve June 14, 2001, entitled an
25 ordinance authorizing Edward Flippen, owner of

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2 the property located 5651 Lansdowne Avenue, to
3 construct, use, and maintain a one-story
4 building addition over the east footway of
5 57th Street, as amended, by extending the
6 period compliance with the authorization
7 conditions therein.

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

10 THE CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
11 authorizing the Committee on Commerce and
12 Economic Development to hold hearings for the
13 purpose of reviewing and evaluating the
14 marketing and promotional strategies the,
15 economic development initiatives, the
16 financial assistance programs, and the
17 management of land bank by the Philadelphia
18 Industrial Development Corporation.

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

21 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Thank you, Madam
22 President. I move the adoption of the
23 resolution.

24 (Duly seconded.)

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It has

1 10/21/04 - STATED - INTRO. TO BILLS
2 been moved and properly seconded that the
3 resolution be adopted.

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

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Those
7 opposed?

8 (No response.)

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The ayes
10 have it, and the resolution will be referred
11 to the Committee on Commerce and Economic
12 Development.

13 THE CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
14 congratulating the Theater Alliance of Greater
15 Philadelphia on the 10th anniversary of the
16 Barrymore Award Ceremony and designating the
17 week of November 15th as Greater Philadelphia
18 Theater Week.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
20 again recognizes Councilman Nutter.

21 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Thank you, Madam
22 President. I move the adoption of the
23 resolution.

24 (Duly seconded.)

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It has

1 10/21/04 - STATED - INTRO. TO BILLS
2 been moved and properly seconded that the
3 resolution be adopted.

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

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
7 opposed?

8 (No response.)

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The ayes
10 have it, and the resolution is adopted.

11 THE CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
12 authorizing the Commissioner of Public
13 Property to execute and deliver to the
14 Redevelopment Authority deeds located in the
15 4th and 52nd Wards of the City of
16 Philadelphia.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
18 recognizes Councilman Nutter.

19 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Thank you, Madam
20 President. I move the adoption of the
21 resolution.

22 (Duly seconded.)

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

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2 All in favor will signify by saying
3 aye.

4 (Aye.)

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Those
6 opposed?

7 (No response.)

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The ayes
9 have it, and the resolution is adopted.

10 The Chair recognizes Councilman
11 Cohen.

12 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Madam President,
13 I offer one resolution.

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

17 THE CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
18 urging the Mayor to fulfill his responsibility
19 under Executive Order 893 and fill the vacant
20 positions of the Police Advisory Commission,
21 including the seven City Council designees and
22 two City Council alternates.

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

25 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Madam President,

1 10/21/04 - STATED - INTRO. TO BILLS

2 I move the adoption of the resolution.

3 (Duly seconded.)

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

7 All in favor will signify by saying
8 aye.

9 (Aye.)

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Those
11 opposed?

12 (No response.)

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The ayes
14 have it, and the resolution is adopted.

15 Councilman Kelly, your light is on.
16 Did you want to be recognized?

17 COUNCILMAN KELLY: No, Madam
18 President.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.
20 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
21 Brown.

22 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Thank you,
23 Madam President. I have no bills or
24 resolutions this morning.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair

1 10/21/04 - STATED - INTRO. TO BILLS

2 thanks the Councilwoman.

3 The Chair recognizes Councilman

4 Goode.

5 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you, Madam

6 President. I have no bills or resolutions.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

8 The Chair recognizes Councilman

9 Ramos.

10 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Madam President,

11 I have no bills or resolutions.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

13 The Chair recognizes Councilman

14 DiCicco.

15 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Thank you,

16 Madam President. I offer two bills and one

17 resolution.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

19 The Chief Clerk will please read the

20 title of the first bill.

21 THE CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance

22 amending Title 12 of the Philadelphia Code

23 entitled "Traffic Code" by enacted a new

24 chapter of the Philadelphia Code entitled

25 "Prohibition Against Motor Vehicle Cruising"

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2 to prohibit motor vehicle cruising in an area
3 bounded by Lombard Street on the north, Front
4 Street on the east Bainbridge Street on the
5 south and 11th Street on the west.

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

8 THE CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
9 granting permission Sunesys, its successors
10 and assigns to construct, maintain, and
11 operate, replace and remove a
12 telecommunications system along, over, and
13 under the public rights-of-way, City streets,
14 and Fairmount Park.

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

17 THE CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
18 authorizing Commissioner of Public Property to
19 execute and deliver to the Redevelopment
20 Authority deeds located in the 1st and 45th
21 Wards of the City of Philadelphia.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
23 recognizes Councilman DiCicco.

24 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: I move for the
25 adoption of the resolution.

1 10/21/04 - STATED - INTRO. TO BILLS

2 (Duly seconded.)

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It has
4 been moved and properly 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 ayes
12 have it, and the resolution is adopted.

13 The Chair recognizes Councilman
14 O'Neill.

15 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Madam
16 President, I have no bills or resolutions.

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

19 The Chair recognizes Councilman
20 Clarke.

21 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Thank you, Madam
22 President. I have one resolution.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chief
24 Clerk will please read the title of the
25 resolution.

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2 THE CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
3 authorizing Commissioner of Public Property to
4 execute and deliver to the Redevelopment
5 Authority deeds located in the 5th, 16th,
6 28th, 29th and 32nd Wards of the City of
7 Philadelphia.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
9 again recognizes Councilman Clarke.

10 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Move for the
11 adoption.

12 (Duly seconded.)

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

16 All in favor will say aye.

17 (Aye.)

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
19 opposed?

20 (No response.)

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

23 The Chair recognizes Councilman
24 Kelly.

25 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Madam President,

1 10/21/04 - STATED - INTRO. TO BILLS

2 I have no bills or resolutions today.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
4 thanks the gentleman.

5 The Chair recognizes Councilman
6 Rizzo.

7 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Madam President,
8 one resolution today.

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.
10 The Chief Clerk will please read the
11 title of the resolution.

12 THE CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
13 authorizing a joint hearing for both City
14 Council's Committee on Public Safety and City
15 Council's Committee on Technology and
16 Information Systems to hold public hearings to
17 investigate the malfunction of the City of
18 Philadelphia's 800 megahertz digital radio
19 system which occurred five times, and in
20 furtherance of such investigation authorizing
21 the issuance of subpoenas to compel the
22 attendance of witnesses and the production of
23 documents to the full extent authorized under
24 Section 2-401 of the Home Rule Charter.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair

1 10/21/04 - STATED - REPORTS

2 recognizes Councilman Rizzo.

3 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: I move for the
4 adoption of this resolution.

5 (Duly seconded.)

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

9 All in favor will signify by saying
10 aye.

11 (Aye.)

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
13 opposed?

14 (No response.)

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The ayes
16 have it, and the resolution will be referred
17 to the Committee on Public Safety and the
18 Committee on Technology and Information
19 Systems.

20 The next order of business is
21 reports from committees.

22 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
23 Blackwell for a report from the Committee of
24 the Whole.

25 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,

1 10/21/04 - STATED - REPORTS

2 Madam President. The Committee of the Whole
3 reports out two bills with a favorable
4 recommendation.

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

7 THE CHIEF CLERK: To the President
8 and Members of the Council of the City of
9 Philadelphia, the Committee of the Whole to
10 which was referred Bill No. 040785, entitled
11 an ordinance amending Bill No. 040602,
12 approved July 1, 2004, relating to the fiscal
13 2005 Capital Budget by reacting certain
14 appropriations made in that ordinance for
15 improvements to existing recreation
16 facilities;

17 And Bill No. 040786, entitled an
18 ordinance amending Bill No. 040603, approved
19 July 1, 2004, relating to the Fiscal 2005
20 through Fiscal 2010 Capital Program by
21 reacting certain appropriations for
22 improvements to existing recreation facilities
23 for Fiscal Year 2005, and by making certain
24 technical amendments;

25 Respectfully reports it has

1 10/21/04 - STATED - REPORTS

2 considered the same and returns the attached
3 bills to Council with a favorable
4 recommendation.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
6 recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell.

7 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,
8 Madam President. I move that the Rules be
9 suspended so as to permit first reading today
10 of Bill Nos. 040785 and 040786.

11 (Duly seconded.)

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It has
13 been moved and properly seconded that the
14 Rules of Council be suspended so as to permit
15 first reading this day of Bill Nos. 040785 and
16 040786.

17 All in favor will please indicate by
18 saying aye.

19 (Aye.)

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
21 opposed?

22 (No response.)

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The ayes
24 have it, and the bills just read will be
25 placed on today's First Reading Calendar.

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2 The Chair again recognizes
3 Councilwoman Blackwell for a report on the
4 Committee on Finance.

5 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,
6 Madam President. The Committee on Finance
7 reports out one bill with a favorable
8 recommendation.

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.
10 The Chief Clerk will please read the
11 report.

12 THE CHIEF CLERK: To the President
13 and Members of the Council of the City of
14 Philadelphia, the Committee on Finance to
15 which was referred Bill No. 040765, entitled
16 an ordinance approving the Fiscal Year 2005
17 Capital Budget providing for expenditures for
18 the capital purposes of the Philadelphia Gas
19 Works, subject to certain constraints and
20 conditions, and acknowledging receipt of the
21 forecast of capital budgets for Fiscal Years
22 2006 through 2010; respectfully reports it has
23 considered the same and returns the attached
24 bill to Council with a favorable
25 recommendation.

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
3 again recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell.

4 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,
5 Madam President. I move that the Rules of
6 Council be suspended so to permit first
7 reading this day of Bill No. 040765.

8 (Duly seconded.)

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It has
10 been moved and properly seconded that the
11 Rules of Council be suspended so as to permit
12 first reading this day of Bill No. 040765.

13 All in favor will indicate by saying
14 aye.

15 (Aye.)

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Those
17 opposed?

18 (No response.)

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The ayes
20 have it, and the bill just read will be placed
21 on today's First Reading Calendar.

22 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
23 Krajewski for a report from the Committee on
24 Appropriations.

25 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Madam

1 10/21/04 - STATED - REPORTS

2 President, the Committee on appropriations
3 reports two bills out with a favorable
4 recommendation.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

6 The Chief Clerk will please read the
7 report.

8 THE CHIEF CLERK: To the President
9 and Members of the Council of the City of
10 Philadelphia, the Committee on Appropriations
11 to which was referred Bill No. 040760,
12 entitled an ordinance authorizing transfers in
13 appropriation for Fiscal Year 2005 within the
14 General Fund from the Department of Public
15 Property City subsidy for SEPTA to the
16 Director of Finance;

17 And Bill No. 040779 entitled, an
18 ordinance authorizing transfers in
19 appropriation for Fiscal Year 2005 within the
20 General Fund from certain or all City offices,
21 Departments, Boards and Commissions to the
22 Fire Department;

23 Respectfully reports it has
24 considered and amended the same and returns
25 the attached bills to Council with a favorable

1 10/21/04 - STATED - REPORTS

2 recommendation.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

4 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
5 Krajewski.

6 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Madam

7 President, I move that the Rules of Council be
8 suspended as to permit first reading of Bill
9 No. 040760 and Bill 040779, with a suspension
10 of the Rules.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Do I hear
12 a second?

13 (Duly seconded.)

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It has
15 been moved and properly seconded that the
16 Rules of Council be suspended so as to permit
17 first reading this day of Bill Nos. 040760 and
18 040779.

19 All in favor will indicate by saying
20 aye.

21 (Aye.)

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
23 opposed?

24 (No response.)

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The ayes

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2 have it, and the bills just read will be
3 placed on today's First Reading Calendar.

4 The Chair recognizes Councilman
5 Ramos for a report on the Committee on Labor
6 and Civil Service.

7 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Thank you, Madam
8 President. The Committee on Labor and Civil
9 Service reports one bill with a favorable
10 recommendation.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.
12 The Chief Clerk will please read the
13 report.

14 THE CHIEF CLERK: To the President
15 and Members of the Council of the City of
16 Philadelphia, the Committee on Labor and Civil
17 Service to which referred Bill No. 040184
18 entitled, an ordinance amending Title 17 of
19 the Philadelphia Code entitled "Contracts and
20 Procurement" by adding a new Chapter 17-1200
21 entitled "Foreign Outsourcing," prohibiting
22 City service contracts under which the work is
23 performed outside the United States, under
24 certain terms and conditions;

25 Respectfully reports it has

1 10/21/04 - STATED - REPORTS

2 considered the same and returns the attached
3 bill to Council with a favorable
4 recommendation.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

6 The Chair recognizes Councilman
7 Ramos.

8 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Thank you, Madam
9 President. I move that is the Rules of
10 Council be suspended so as to permit first
11 reading this day of Bill No. 040184.

12 (Duly seconded.)

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It has
14 been moved and properly seconded that the
15 Rules of Council be suspended so as to permit
16 first reading this day of Bill No. 040184.

17 All in favor will indicate by saying
18 aye.

19 (Aye.)

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
21 opposed?

22 (No response.)

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The ayes
24 have it, and the bill just read will be placed
25 on today's First Reading Calendar.

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2 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
3 Brown for a report from the Committee on
4 Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs.

5 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Thank you,
6 Madam President. The Committee on Parks,
7 Recreation and Cultural Affairs reports one
8 bill with a favorable recommendation.

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.
10 The Chief Clerk will please read the
11 report.

12 THE CHIEF CLERK: To the President
13 and Members of the Council of the City of
14 Philadelphia, the Committee on Parks,
15 Recreation and Cultural Affairs, to which was
16 referred Bill No. 040613, entitled an
17 ordinance authorizing the Commissioner of
18 Public Property on behalf of the City of
19 Philadelphia to acquire by purchase,
20 condemnation, or other means an easement in
21 the vicinity of Poquessing Park and upon
22 completion of the City's acquisition of the
23 easement, incorporate such easement into
24 Poquessing Park and place the easement under
25 the jurisdiction of the Fairmount Park

1 10/21/04 - STATED - REPORTS

2 Commission; respectfully reports it has
3 considered the same and returns the attached
4 bill to Council with a favorable
5 recommendation.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

7 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
8 Brown.

9 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: I move that the
10 Rules of Council be suspended so as to permit
11 first reading this day of Bill No. 040613.

12 (Duly seconded.)

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It has
14 been moved and properly seconded that the
15 Rules of Council be suspended so as to permit
16 first reading this day of Bill No. 040613.

17 All in favor will indicate by saying
18 aye.

19 (Aye.)

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Those
21 opposed?

22 (No response.)

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The ayes
24 have it, and the bill just read will be placed
25 on today's First Reading Calendar.

1 10/21/04 - STATED - 1ST READING

2 The next order of business will be
3 the consideration of the Calendar.

4 The Chief Clerk will please read the
5 bills on the First Reading Calendar.

6 THE CHIEF CLERK: Bill No. 040785,
7 an ordinance amending Bill No. 040602,
8 approved July 1, 2004, relating to the Fiscal
9 2005 Capital Budget by reacting certain
10 appropriations made in that ordinance for
11 improvements to existing recreation
12 facilities.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
14 agrees.

15 THE CHIEF CLERK: And Bill No.
16 040786, an ordinance amending Bill No. 040673,
17 approved July 1, 2004, relating to Fiscal 2005
18 through 2010 Capital Program by reacting
19 certain appropriations for improvements to
20 existing recreation facilities for fiscal year
21 2005 and by making certain technical
22 amendments.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
24 agrees.

25 THE CHIEF CLERK: And Bill No.

1 10/21/04 - STATED - 1ST READING

2 040765 an ordinance approving the Fiscal Year
3 2005 Capital Budget providing for the
4 expenditures for the capital purposes of the
5 Philadelphia Gas Works, subject to certain
6 constraints and conditions and acknowledging
7 receipt of the forecast of capital budgets for
8 Fiscal Year 2006 through 2010.

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
10 agrees.

11 THE CHIEF CLERK: And Bill No.
12 040760, an ordinance authorizing transfers in
13 appropriation for Fiscal Year 2005 within the
14 General Fund from the Department of Public
15 Property City subsidy for SEPTA to Director of
16 Finance, all under certain terms and
17 conditions.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
19 agrees.

20 THE CHIEF CLERK: And Bill No.
21 040779, an ordinance authorizing transfers in
22 appropriation for Fiscal Year 2005 within the
23 General Fund from certain or all City offices,
24 departments, boards and commissions to the
25 Fire Department.

1 10/21/04 - STATED - 1ST READING

2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
3 agrees.

4 THE CHIEF CLERK: And Bill No.
5 040184, an ordinance amending Title 17 of the
6 Philadelphia Code entitled "Contracts and
7 Procurement," by adding a new Chapter 17,1200
8 entitled "Foreign Outsourcing" prohibiting
9 service contracts under which the work is
10 performed outside the United States.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
12 agrees.

13 THE CHIEF CLERK: And Bill No.
14 040613, an ordinance authorizing Commissioner
15 of Public Property on behalf of the City of
16 Philadelphia to acquire by purchase
17 condemnation or other means an easement in the
18 vicinity of Poquessing Park and place the
19 easement under the jurisdiction of the
20 Fairmount Park Commission.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
22 agrees.

23 That the completes the First Reading
24 Calendar.

25 The Chair now recognizes

1 10/21/04 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 Councilwoman Blackwell for the purpose of
3 calling up the bills on the Second Reading and
4 Final Passage Calendar to be considered today.

5 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,
6 Madam President. Today Bill No. 040764 is
7 being called for second reading and final
8 passage. All other bills are being held.

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.
10 The Chief Clerk will please read the
11 title of the Bill No. 040764.

12 THE CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
13 amending Title 9 of the Philadelphia Code
14 entitled regulation of Business, Trades and
15 Professions by adding a section to prohibit
16 the sale of certain motor vehicles, all under
17 certain terms and conditions.

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

21 The Clerk will please call the roll.

22 THE CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
23 Blackwell.

24 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

25 THE CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Clarke.

1 10/21/04 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.
3 THE CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Cohen.
4 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.
5 THE CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
6 DiCicco.
7 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.
8 THE CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Goode.
9 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
10 THE CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.
11 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.
12 THE CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kenney.
13 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
14 THE CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
15 Krajewski.
16 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
17 THE CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
18 Mariano.
19 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
20 THE CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
21 Miller.
22 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
23 THE CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Nutter.
24 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
25 THE CHIEF CLERK: Councilman

1 10/21/04 - STATED - SPEECHES
2 O'Neill.
3 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
4 THE CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Ramos.
5 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Aye.
6 THE CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
7 Reynolds Brown.
8 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS BROWN: Aye.
9 THE CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.
10 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
11 THE CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
12 Tasco.
13 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
14 THE CHIEF CLERK: Council President
15 Verna.
16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
17 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A
18 majority of all Members having voted in the
19 affirmative, the bill passes.
20 That concludes our Calendar for
21 today.
22 Are there any speeches on the part
23 of the Minority?
24 (No response.)
25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Are there

1 10/21/04 - STATED - SPEECHES

2 any speeches on the part of the Majority?

3 The Chair recognizes Councilman

4 Ramos.

5 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Thank you, Madam

6 President.

7 Madam President, Councilman Cohen,

8 Councilman Nutter, and I this morning

9 introduced a resolution concerning a

10 preoccupation of ours concerning the Police

11 Advisory Commission. I am now very disturbed

12 of this fact that this Commission is now a

13 government institution and technically has no

14 commission members. This is an issue I've

15 written to the Administration about. I know

16 Councilman Nutter has done the same thing.

17 Back in November, the list of those

18 appointees recommended by this body were

19 presented to the Administration. However, it

20 is the responsibility of Mayor to make these

21 announcements.

22 We have now people in this City,

23 outstanding citizens, that want to give of

24 their time, they want to volunteer and be part

25 of this great civic fabric that this City is

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2 known for. And it seems as though that second
3 floor can't come around to getting more people
4 that want to serve in this body, the Police
5 Advisory Commission. They don't get a single
6 cent. These are people waiting to be
7 appointed. We've already submitted our names.
8 I think it's very, very unfair, to the point
9 where this body of government can now not
10 function.

11 A few weeks ago, I had a young man
12 with his mother and his relatives come. The
13 allegation was that he was beat up by some
14 police officers. Whether it's true or not,
15 I'm not to judge; I'm not in that business.
16 However, when that case goes to this group
17 called the Police Advisory Commission -- they
18 work closely, of course, with the police --
19 they can't do anything about it. They don't
20 have the authority to do anything about it.

21 I think this is very, very unfair.
22 And this is going on with other boards and
23 commissions of this government, people waiting
24 in line, people that want to serve. If I was
25 one of those people, I'd say, "The heck with

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2 it. If they don't want me, let me move on."

3 It is very discouraging while we
4 talk around here about civic and community
5 involvement, at the same time we have people
6 that want to be involved and we just don't
7 open the doors for their involvement.

8 So anyway, I don't know of this
9 speech, Councilman Nutter and my colleagues,
10 is going to get anywhere, but I sure hope that
11 the Mayor's Office fulfill its responsibility
12 and get this appointment over with, please.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

14 The Chair recognizes Councilman
15 Goode.

16 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you, Madam
17 President.

18 I have good news to report. Almost
19 five years ago, my first City Council Session,
20 I introduced a resolution calling for an
21 annual review of small business lending by the
22 City Controller. The resolution followed my
23 release of the Greater Philadelphia Capital
24 Access Report which showed disparities in
25 small business lending by neighborhood income

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2 levels in 1998.

3 The Controller recently released his
4 latest report which indicates that the
5 disparities in loan availability between poor
6 and richer communities actually changed in
7 2003. In fact, over a six-year period, from
8 1998 to 2003, the percentage of loans in low
9 and moderate income communities grew from 39
10 percent to 52 percent.

11 For the first time since we examined
12 this issue, the majority of small business
13 loans were dispersed in low and moderate
14 income communities. In fact, it was a huge
15 jump from 40 percent to 52 percent in one
16 year. There's no coincidence that the jump
17 occurred in 2003, the first year City Council
18 required City depository banks to set annual
19 goals for small business lending in those
20 neighborhoods.

21 So I want to, again, thank my
22 colleagues for your support of that
23 reinvestment legislation. It's actually made
24 a difference.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

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2 The Chair recognizes Councilman
3 Cohen.

4 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Thank you, Madam
5 President.

6 I will first want to note that the
7 last two very fine speeches made by Councilman
8 Ramos and Goode, that they're both
9 Councilmembers-at-Large, that they're dealing
10 with problems that are vital to the healthy
11 existence of the City of Philadelphia.

12 I mention that because of other
13 things. I would hope that the District
14 Councilmembers who largely concern themselves
15 in the position of assistant developers and
16 don't otherwise bother very much with their
17 constituencies will take note and begin
18 concerning themselves.

19 Yesterday, on the \$35 an hour
20 matter, the Committee hearing, it was reduced
21 finally to Ramos, Goode, and Cohen, all three
22 of us at-Large members. Councilwoman
23 Blackwell, a District Councilmember, sat in
24 her seat all during the hearing and
25 participated, and I think she showed an

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2 excellent example as to what we expect from
3 District Councilmembers.

4 I don't think the role of a District
5 Councilmember is to be an assistant developer.
6 I think it is to represent the people as fully
7 as Councilmen-at-Large do, and sometimes I
8 wonder, except in the cases of a few of the
9 District Councilmembers, whether that's the
10 case.

11 But today, I largely want to talk
12 about definitions of words. I deeply resent
13 the fact that the President of the United
14 States is going around spreading bigotry
15 instead of clarification. I want to cite two
16 areas. One, the definition of the word
17 "liberal." He attacks the democratic
18 presidential candidate, which he has every
19 right to do, but he attacks him a liberal.
20 Well, I'm a liberal, and a liberal is a good
21 word, not a bad word. And the President of
22 the United States is using it as a bad word.
23 The difference between a conservative and a
24 liberal is a conservative is only interested
25 in giving government money to rich business

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2 corporations, while liberals are interested in
3 things like spreading the quality of life
4 issues that people in the communities without
5 resources, without much money, need. It's the
6 liberals who fight for social security, for
7 pensions, for all those things; it's not the
8 conservatives. The conservatives want to give
9 real benefits, tax benefits, back to the rich
10 in order not to have money when it comes time
11 to fund things that the ordinary population
12 needs. So the more liberal a person is, it
13 means that person is seeking to spread the
14 benefits of life to poorer people. A
15 conservative is a person who believes that
16 poor people are not entitled to benefits and
17 shouldn't get them. That's that word on
18 liberal, and I think it's shameful that a
19 President of the United States, instead of
20 trying to broaden everybody's understanding
21 and encourage their participation in
22 government, is just doing the opposite.

23 The other thing is the way the word
24 "government" is used. It's said that little
25 government is good and big government is bad.

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2 And that's just plain stupidity. And that's
3 also what President Bush seems to be good at
4 spreading, because whether government is big
5 or little, it doesn't matter. What matters
6 is, is it doing the right thing by people, is
7 it making life better? And good government
8 makes things better, and poor government makes
9 things less good.

10 Now, the reason the conservatives
11 talk about reducing the size of government is
12 they want business to operate freely without
13 any regulations. And we saw what happened
14 even with regulations on the Enron and all the
15 other business scandals that have occurred.
16 Business never likes to be regulated. They
17 like to trample people's rights because all
18 they're interested in is profit.

19 We support business corporations
20 that show a consideration for other people,
21 not like the pharmaceutical companies that are
22 only interested in profit and never interested
23 in performing necessary health services for
24 people.

25 So I'm urging Mr. President of the

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2 United States to please go back and be a
3 leader in the country and don't ill defame
4 words that are very useful. It's not a
5 question of whether government is big or
6 small, but it's a question of whether it's
7 performing its services right. And with
8 respect to liberal, don't use it as a scare
9 word; it's a wonderful word because it means
10 that somebody's interested in all the people.

11 Thank you, Madam President.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: You're
13 welcome, Councilman Cohen.

14 Are there any other speeches on the
15 part of the Majority?

16 (No response.)

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Seeing
18 none, the Chair recognizes Councilwoman Tasco
19 for a motion to adjourn.

20 COUNCILWOMAN TESCO: Madam
21 President, I move that Council stand adjourned
22 until Thursday, October 28th at 10:00 a.m.

23 (Duly seconded.)

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

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2 adjourned until Thursday, October 28th.
3 All in favor will say aye.
4 (Aye.)
5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
6 opposed?
7 (No response.)
8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The ayes
9 have it, and Council will stand adjourned
10 until Thursday, October 28th.
11 Thank you.
12 (Council adjourned at 11:15 a.m.)
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I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing
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that this is a correct transcript of the same.

RE: STATED MEETING

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