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COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA

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STATED MEETING

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Thursday, October 21, 1999
10:10 a.m.

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Room 400, City Hall

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Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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11 PRESENT: COUNCIL PRESIDENT ANNA C. VERNA

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COUNCILWOMAN AUGUSTA A. CLARK

COUNCILMAN DARRYL L. CLARKE

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COUNCILWOMAN JANNIE BLACKWELL

COUNCILMAN DAVID COHEN

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COUNCILWOMAN JOAN L. KRAJEWSKI

COUNCILMAN JAMES F. KENNEY

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COUNCILWOMAN DONNA REED MILLER

COUNCILMAN MICHAEL A. NUTTER

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COUNCILMAN ANGEL L. ORTIZ

COUNCILMAN FRANK DICICCO

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COUNCILMAN BRIAN J. O'NEILL

COUNCILMAN RICHARD T. MARIANO

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COUNCILMAN W. THACHER LONGSTRETH

COUNCILMAN FRANK RIZZO

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MARIE HAUSER, Chief Clerk

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1 OPENING/ INVOCATION

2 P R O C E E D I N G S

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: I note that
4 the hour has come and that a quorum of this Council
5 is present. Council will come to order, members
6 will take their seats and visitors will retire to
7 the seats outside the rails.

8 To give our invocation this morning, the
9 Chair welcomes Reverend Lonnie Herndon, who is
10 Pastor of the Church of Christian Compassion. He is
11 here today as the guest of Councilwoman Blackwell.

12 Members and guests will please rise.

13 (All rise.)

14 REVEREND HERNDON: Shall we bow
15 together? Heavenly Father, we thank you for this
16 privilege to come to you once again in prayer. We
17 thank you for this day of life, health and strength
18 of which you have afforded us. We pray now in your
19 presence during this session that you might lead and
20 guide us in our way.

21 We thank you for each member of Council
22 present. We pray that you might continue to empower
23 them and endow them with wisdom and knowledge as
24 they make important decisions concerning the plight
25 of our City.

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2 We thank you as we approach this
3 millennium, this new millennium, that you might
4 continue to bless us and keep us and lead us and
5 guide us and your name shall receive the glory,
6 honor and praise. In Jesus Christ's name we pray,
7 and we say amen.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
9 thanks Reverend Herndon for this inspiring
10 invocation.

11 Council will stand at ease.

12 (Council stands at ease.)

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14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The next order
15 of business is the approval of the Journal of the
16 meeting of October 14, 1999.

17 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Clark.

18 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Madam President, I
19 move the acceptance of the Journal of October 14,
20 1999.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Do I hear a
22 second?

23 (Duly seconded.)

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

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2 meeting of Thursday, October 14, 1999 stand
3 approved.

4 All in favor will vote aye.

5 COUNCIL MEMBERS: Aye.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those opposed
7 will vote nay.

8 (No response.)

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The ayes have
10 it. The motion is carried. The Journal of
11 Thursday, October 14, 1999 stands approved.

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13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The next order
14 of business is leave of absence.

15 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Clark.

16 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Madam President, I
17 ask leave of absence of Councilwoman Marian Tasco.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Leave will be
19 granted.

20 The Chair recognizes Councilman
21 Longstreth.

22 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: I'm sorry?

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Are there any
24 requests for leave of absence brought to you?

25 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: There's no leave

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2 of absence from the majority.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

4 The Chair will dispense with the regular
5 order of business to recognize the guests and the
6 visitors joining us in chambers this morning.

7 On behalf of all members of City
8 Council, I welcome you to our council session this
9 morning. We appreciate your taking the time to join
10 us as we attend to the legislative affairs of our
11 City, and we certainly invite you to come again.

12 This morning Council is honoring
13 Ms. Marie Reinhart Jones. I invite Councilman Rizzo
14 to come to make this presentation.

15 Will Ms. Reinhart Jones and those
16 accompanying her please join Councilman Rizzo at the
17 podium.

18 (Pause.)

19 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Thank you, Madam
20 President.

21 First I'd like to welcome everyone from
22 the northwest section of the City of Philadelphia
23 and I'm sure from other areas of the City here this
24 morning to recognize Marie's great work for the past
25 20 years as the editor of the Chestnut Hill Local,

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2 honoring Marie Reinhart Jones on her retirement
3 after 20 years as editor of the Chestnut Hill Local.

4 Whereas, Marie Jones has faithfully
5 served the Chestnut Hill Local for the past 35 years
6 as a writer, associate editor, co-editor and for the
7 past 20 years, as I mentioned, the editor;

8 Whereas, Maria Jones is fiercely
9 dedicated to the freedom of the Local to fulfill its
10 intended role as a community forum and to promoting
11 the welfare of every person in Chestnut Hill;

12 Whereas, Her career with the Chestnut
13 Hill Local has earned her several awards, including
14 the Chestnut Hill award in 1981 for engendering the
15 kind of understanding, leadership and intelligent
16 sensitivity that facilitate cooperation in a many
17 faceted community; she was awarded the Honorary
18 Doctor of Laws from Chestnut Hill College in 1994;
19 she was entered into the Congressional Record of
20 April 8, 1983 for her work as editor for an
21 outstanding community newspaper, the Chestnut Hill
22 Local; in 1983, she was also honored by Senator Joe
23 Rocks for her outstanding contributions to the
24 quality of community relations in Northwest
25 Philadelphia; she was honored for her outstanding

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2 leadership and service to the community by the
3 Germantown Branch of the Women's International
4 League for Peace and Freedom; also in 1983, by the
5 Northwest Jewish Community Relations Council for her
6 work in promoting good relations between Jewish and
7 Christian communities; and

8 Whereas, Under her leadership, the Local
9 has received many prizes and awards, including: The
10 "Best of Philly" Award six times from Philadelphia
11 Magazine; awards from the Pennsylvania Newspaper
12 Publishers Association, the Society of Professional
13 Journalists, the National Newspaper Foundation and
14 others; and a Citation from the City of Philadelphia
15 for its excellence and its contributions to
16 community life; and

17 Whereas, Through Marie Reinhart Jones'
18 leadership, guidance and concern for the entire
19 community and an aggressive editorial outreach, the
20 Local is considered by many to be the best community
21 newspaper in America.

22 Now, therefore, resolved, by the Council
23 of the City of Philadelphia, that we then hereby
24 honor Marie Reinhart Jones on her retirement after
25 20 years as Editor of the Chestnut Hill Local.

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2 Resolved, That an engrossed copy of this
3 resolution be presented today to Marie Reinhart
4 Jones as evidence of the sincere admiration of this
5 legislative body.

6 (Applause.)

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Will members
8 of Council please honor Marie Reinhart Jones.

9 (Applause.)

10 MS. JONES: This is a very unusual forum
11 for me to have, and I'd like to thank Council
12 President Verna and all of the City Council for this
13 extraordinary honor. I am very grateful to you and
14 I am very touched.

15 I've been in Council many times before,
16 many times to cover a meeting, sometimes to protest,
17 but I certainly am not protesting this wonderful
18 honor that you have given to me today, and I'm also
19 thrilled to be here today, because I understand that
20 you are honoring the birthday of my old friend,
21 Billy Penn. Indeed, I feel that I'm much nearer to
22 his age than any of you are, so he is an old friend
23 of mine.

24 I also want to thank today my family,
25 without whom I never could have done any of the work

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2 that I've done at the Local, and the wonderful,
3 wonderful staff of the Chestnut Hill Local and all
4 the marvelous people who back us up in our business
5 office and all of our stringers and also all the
6 people in Chestnut Hill who really have made the
7 Local, because the Local belongs to the people.
8 It's the only newspaper of its kind that we know of.

9 I am extremely grateful to Councilman
10 Frank Rizzo, whom I have watched through actually
11 his growing up years when he went to Norwood Academy
12 and then when the Rizzos came to live in Chestnut
13 Hill, and with a great deal of pride, I watched all
14 his marvelous accomplishments in City Hall. We're
15 all very grateful to him, to Thatcher Longstreth,
16 also representing us from Chestnut Hill, to thank
17 all of you for this extraordinary honor. It's
18 really a great honor for me to be here. Thank you
19 for having me.

20 (Applause.)

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Council will
22 stand at ease.

23 (Council stands at ease.)

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: I understand
3 that William Penn may be a little late in arriving
4 this morning. With that being said, we will
5 continue with our next order of business, which is
6 communications from the Mayor. The Sergeant-at-Arms
7 will please deliver the messages from the Mayor to
8 the Chief Clerk.

9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: To the President
10 and Members of the Council of the City of
11 Philadelphia, I'm transmitting herewith for the
12 consideration of your honorable body the following:

13 A resolution agreeing to participate in
14 the Penn's Landing Tax Increment Financing District
15 should the change in the effective date of the
16 district be approved.

17 A resolution agreeing to participate in
18 the New Market Tax Increment Financing District.

19 A resolution approving the redevelopment
20 contract and disposition supplement of the
21 Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia
22 for the redevelopment and urban renewal of a portion
23 of the Point Breeze East Urban Renewal Area.

24 A resolution agreeing to participate in
25 the 13th Street Passage Tax Increment Financing

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2 District if it should be created by the Council of
3 the City of Philadelphia in accordance with the Tax
4 Increment Financing Act.

5 A resolution agreeing to participate in
6 the Gateway Tax Increment Tax Financing District if
7 it should be created by the Council of the City of
8 Philadelphia.

9 An ordinance approving the fiscal year
10 2000 capital budget providing for expenditures for
11 the capital purposes of the Philadelphia Gas Works,
12 including the supplying of funds to be obtained in
13 connection therewith and rejecting the forecast for
14 fiscal years 2001 through 2005.

15 An ordinance authorizing the
16 Commissioner of Public Property on behalf of the
17 City of Philadelphia to enter into a sublease
18 agreement with the Philadelphia Authority for
19 Industrial Development for use by the City and
20 affiliated agencies including the free library of
21 Philadelphia for offices and/or library purposes
22 located at 18 South Seventh Street, Philadelphia.

23 An ordinance amending an ordinance
24 approved December 14th, as amended, which proposal
25 the Urban Renewal Plan and the Relocation Plan of

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2 the Redevelopment Authority of the City of
3 Philadelphia for the redevelopment of South Central
4 Urban Renewal Area.

5 An ordinance to authorize the Water
6 Commissioner on behalf of the City to enter into
7 agreements with the owner of the properties and
8 their successors of a private street known as St.
9 Bernard Street from Woodbine Avenue to approximately
10 385 feet northwesterly of Woodbine Avenue.

11 An ordinance authorizing the
12 construction of a water main and appurtenant work
13 required to replace a private main and to ensure
14 better water supply in portions of proposed
15 right-of-way of St. Bernard Street.

16 An ordinance amending provisions of the
17 Philadelphia Code relating to sidewalk cafes in
18 Center City by permitting sidewalk cafes to be
19 maintained on Broad Street between Bainbridge Street
20 and the north house line of Washington Avenue and
21 amending Section 14-1607 entitled "Special Controls
22 for Center City Commercial Area."

23 An ordinance authorizing the Director of
24 Finance of the City of Philadelphia to enter into an
25 amendment to an existing agreement with the

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2 Philadelphia Parking Authority, such amendment
3 providing for the Parking Authority to issue and
4 sell its parking revenue bonds in order to finance
5 and proceed with a project.

6 An ordinance amending an ordinance
7 approved August 3, 1965, as amended, which approved
8 the Redevelopment proposal of the Urban Renewal Plan
9 and the relocation plan of the Redevelopment
10 Authority of the City of Philadelphia for the
11 redevelopment of the Center City Redevelopment Area
12 Franklin Urban Renewal Area.

13 An ordinance authorizing the
14 Commissioner of Public Property on behalf of the
15 City of Philadelphia to convey to the Redevelopment
16 Authority of the City of Philadelphia certain
17 premises located at 1823 through 35 Callowhill
18 Street.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The messages
20 will be printed in the Journal. The Chief Clerk
21 will read any other communications in her
22 possession.

23 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: I have none, Madam
24 President.

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: There being
3 none, the next order of business is introduction of
4 bills and resolutions.

5 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Clark
6 for a motion.

7 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Madam President, I
8 move that the rules of Council be suspended so as to
9 permit immediate consideration of resolutions at the
10 time of their introduction.

11 (Duly seconded.)

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: All in favor
13 of the motion to suspend the rules to permit
14 immediate consideration of resolutions at the time
15 of their introduction will vote aye.

16 Those opposed will say nay.

17 The ayes have it, and the motion is
18 carried.

19 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Clark.

20 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Madam Chair, I have
21 no bills or resolutions today.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERN: The Chair
23 thanks the councilwoman.

24 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
25 Blackwell.

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2 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,
3 Madam President. This morning I have three bills
4 and one resolution. The resolution, I introduce on
5 your behalf as well as mine.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.
7 The Chief Clerk will please read the title of the
8 first bill.

9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
10 authorizing the revision of lines and grades on a
11 portion of City Plan No. 42 by striking from the
12 City Plan and vacating the legally open portions of
13 32nd Street from Market Street to Chestnut Street.

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

16 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
17 approving the fiscal year 2000 capital budget
18 providing for expenditures for the capital purposes
19 for the Philadelphia Gas Works, including the
20 supplying of funds to be obtained in connection
21 therewith.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This bill will
23 be referred to the appropriate committee.

24 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
25 granting permission to Patricia McQueen to operate,

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2 use, maintain an open air sidewalk cafe located at
3 5700 Walnut Street projecting a maximum of four feet
4 onto the west footway of 57th Street.

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

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

9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
10 honoring students from the Bartram High School.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
12 recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell.

13 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Madam
14 President, I move the adoption.

15 (Duly seconded.)

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

18 All in favor will signify by saying aye.

19 Those opposed?

20 The ayes have it. The motion is
21 carried.

22 The Chair recognizes Councilman Cohen.

23 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Madam President, I
24 have no bills or resolutions.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair

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2 thanks the gentleman.

3 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
4 Krajewski.

5 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Madam
6 President, I have no bills or resolutions.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERA: Thank you.

8 The Chair recognizes Councilman Mariano.

9 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Madam President, I
10 have one bill.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERA: The Clerk will
12 please read the title of the bill.

13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
14 amending Chapter 10-100 of the Philadelphia Code
15 entitled, "Animals," by adding a new section 10-115
16 entitled "Nuisance Animals Noise" and re-numbering
17 subsequent sections under certain terms and
18 conditions.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERA: The bill will
20 be referred to the appropriate committee.

21 The Chair recognizes Councilman Kenney.

22 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you, Madam
23 President. I offer one bill and one resolution on
24 your behalf.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERA: The Clerk will

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2 please read the title of the bill.

3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
4 amending Chapter 10-1000 of the Philadelphia Code
5 entitled "Animals" by amending Section 10-102
6 entitled "Administrative Provisions" and Section
7 10-103 entitled "Licensing and Rabies Vaccination."

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

10 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
11 authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property on
12 behalf of the City of Philadelphia to purchase fee
13 simple title to a parcel of real estate with any
14 improvements situated thereon located at 3033 South
15 63rd Street, under certain terms and conditions.

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

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

20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
21 approving the redevelopment contract and disposition
22 supplement of the redevelopment authority of the
23 City of Philadelphia for the redevelopment urban
24 renewal of a portion of the Point Breeze East Urban
25 Renewal Area.

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
3 recognizes Councilman Kenney.

4 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Move the adoption of
5 the resolution.

6 (Duly seconded.)

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

9 All in favor will signify by saying aye.

10 Those opposed?

11 The ayes have it. The motion is
12 carried.

13 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
14 Miller.

15 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Thank you, Madam
16 President. I offer no bills or resolutions today.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

18 The Chair recognizes Councilman Nutter.

19 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Thank you, Madam
20 President. I offer four bills and one resolution.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Clerk will
22 please read the title of the first bill.

23 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
24 amending Section 14-1705 of the Philadelphia Code
25 entitled "Appeals to Zoning Board of Adjustment" by

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2 providing that appeals to the Zoning Board of
3 Adjustments shall not stay proceedings in
4 furtherance of the action appealed from.

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

7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
8 authorizing the construction of water mains and
9 appurtenant work required to replace a private main
10 and to ensure better water supply in portions of a
11 proposed right-of-way for drainage purposes.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This bill will
13 be referred to the appropriate committee.

14 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance to
15 authorize the Water Commissioner on behalf of the
16 City of Philadelphia to enter into agreements with
17 the owners of the properties and their successors of
18 a private street known as St. Bernard Street.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This bill will
20 be referred to the appropriate committee.

21 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
22 authorizing the selection and appropriations or the
23 purchase in lieu of condemnation all these certain
24 lots and parcels of ground with improvements thereon
25 situate at 1467 and 1469 North 52nd Street.

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

4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
5 authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to
6 execute and deliver to the Redevelopment Authority
7 of the City of Philadelphia without consideration
8 deeds conveying fee simple title to certain
9 properties located in the 38th and 44th Wards of the
10 City of Philadelphia.

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

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

15 (Duly seconded.)

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

19 All in favor will signify by saying aye.

20 Those opposed?

21 The ayes have it. The motion is
22 carried.

23 The Chair recognizes Councilman Ortiz.

24 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Madam Chair, I have
25 no bills or resolutions.

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

3 The Chair recognizes Councilman DiCicco.

4 COUNCILMAN DI CICC0: Thank you, Madam
5 President. I offer four bills and four resolutions.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chief
7 Clerk will please read the title of the first bill.

8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
9 authorizing revision of lines and grades on the
10 portion of City Plan No. 307 by relocating a portion
11 of the southerly curb line of Cuthbert Street
12 between 12th Street and 13th Street.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This bill will
14 be referred to the appropriate committee.

15 Excuse me a minute, Marie.

16 The Chair recognizes Councilman Nutter.

17 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Thank you, Madam
18 President. Madam President, I just wanted to make
19 the record clear. I was in error when I introduced
20 the first bill. That bill is being co-sponsored by
21 myself and by Councilman DiCicco. I just wanted the
22 record to reflect that.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

24 The Chief Clerk will please read the
25 second bill being introduced by Councilman DiCicco.

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2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
3 amending an ordinance approved August 30, 1965, as
4 amended, which approved the redevelopment proposal
5 of the Urban Renewal Plan and the Relocation Plan of
6 the Redevelopment Authority of the City of
7 Philadelphia for the redevelopment of the Center
8 City Redevelopment Area Franklin Urban Renewal Area.

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

11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
12 authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property on
13 behalf of the City of Philadelphia to enter into a
14 sublease agreement with the Philadelphia Authority
15 for Industrial Development for use by the City and
16 affiliated agencies including the Free Library of
17 Philadelphia for offices and/or library purposes
18 located at 18 South Seventh Street, Philadelphia,
19 Pennsylvania.

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

22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
23 amending provisions of the Philadelphia Code
24 relating to the sidewalk cafes in Center City in
25 particular amending Section 9-208 entitled "Sidewalk

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2 Cafes" by permitting sidewalk cafes to be maintained
3 on Broad Street between Bainbridge Street and the
4 north house line of Washington Avenue and amending
5 Section 14-1607 entitled "Special Controls."

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

8 Councilman DiCicco, can I see you a
9 moment, please?

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

12 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
13 agreeing to participate in the Penn's Landing Tax
14 Increment Financing District should the change in
15 the effective date of the district be approved.

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

18 COUNCILMAN DI CICC0: Move for the
19 adoption of the resolution.

20 (Duly seconded.)

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

24 All in favor will signify by saying aye.

25 Those opposed?

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2 The ayes have it. The motion is
3 carried.

4 The Clerk will please read the title of
5 the second resolution.

6 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
7 agreeing to participate in the New Market Tax
8 Increment Financing District if it should be created
9 by the Council of the City of Philadelphia.

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

12 COUNCILMAN DI CICC0: I move for the
13 adoption of the resolution.

14 (Duly seconded.)

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

18 All in favor will signify by saying aye.

19 Those opposed?

20 The ayes have it. The motion is
21 carried.

22 The Clerk will please read the third
23 resolution.

24 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
25 agreeing to participated 13th Street Passage Tax

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2 Increment Financing District if it should be created
3 by the Council of the City of Philadelphia in
4 accordance with the Tax Increment Financing Act.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
6 recognizes Councilman DiCicco.

7 COUNCILMAN DI CICC0: Thank you, Madam
8 President. I move for the adoption of the
9 resolution.

10 (Duly seconded.)

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

14 All in favor will signify by saying aye.
15 Those opposed?

16 The ayes have it. The motion is
17 carried.

18 The Clerk will please read the next
19 resolution.

20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
21 calling on the School District of Philadelphia to
22 issue emergency 60 percent checks to those employees
23 who have not received compensation.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
25 recognizes Councilman DiCicco.

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2 COUNCILMAN DI CICCIO: Thank you, Madam
3 President. I move for the adoption of the
4 resolution.

5 (Duly seconded.)

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

9 All in favor will signify by saying aye.
10 Those opposed?

11 The ayes have it. The motion is
12 carried.

13 The Chair recognizes Councilman Clarke.

14 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Thank you, Madam
15 Chair. On behalf of Councilman O'Neill, I'd like to
16 introduce one bill. And I have two bills and two
17 resolutions for myself.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

19 The Clerk will please read the bill
20 that's being introduced on Councilman O'Neill's
21 behalf.

22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
23 amending Section 9-211 of the Philadelphia Code
24 entitled "Boxes for Distribution of News and Printed
25 Material" by adding additional locations to the

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2 designated program area including the 1700 block of
3 Cottman Avenue, under certain terms and conditions.

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

6 Councilman Clarke has two bills. Will
7 the Clerk please read the title of the first bill.

8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
9 authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to
10 convey to the Redevelopment Authority of the City of
11 Philadelphia certain premises located at 1823
12 through 35 Callowhill Street and authorize the
13 Commissioner of Public Property to enter into or ro
14 execute such other instruments that may be necessary
15 or desirable to effectuate the provisions of this
16 ordinance.

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

19 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
20 authorizing Wally Pertay, L.P. 245 Park Avenue, 26th
21 floor, New York, New York, the owner of the property
22 at 116 through 2122 South 17th Street, Philadelphia,
23 Pennsylvania, to construct and maintain two
24 electrified marquis and six rigid awning attached to
25 the property and projecting over the property

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2 footways of 17th Street and Sansom Street.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This bill will
4 be referred to the appropriate committee.

5 The Chief Clerk will please read the
6 first resolution introduced by Councilman Clarke.

7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
8 agreeing to participate in the Gateway Tax Increment
9 Financing District if it should be created by the
10 City of Philadelphia in accordance with the Tax
11 Increment Financing Act of July 11, 1990, PL465.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The chair
13 recognizes Councilman Clarke.

14 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: I move for the
15 adoption of the resolution.

16 (Duly seconded.)

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

20 All in favor will signify by saying aye.

21 Those opposed?

22 The ayes have it. The motion is
23 carried.

24 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
25 authorizing Commissioner of Public Property to

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2 execute and deliver to the Redevelopment Authority
3 of the City of Philadelphia deeds for properties
4 situate in the 16th, 20th, 28th, 29th, 37th, 43rd,
5 47th Wards of the City of Philadelphia.

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

8 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: I move for the
9 adoption of the resolution.

10 (Duly seconded.)

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

14 All in favor will signify by saying aye.

15 Those opposed?

16 The ayes have it. The motion is
17 carried.

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

21 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Yes, one from last
22 week that I held.

23 THE CHAIRMAN: I'm referring to
24 Councilman Longstreth.

25 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: I have no bills

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2 or resolutions.

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

5 The Chair recognizes Councilman Rizzo.

6 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: One resolution, Madam
7 President.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chief
9 Clerk will please read the title of the resolution.

10 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: It was held from last
11 week and the Clerk's Office has it, I believe.

12 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
13 requesting that before any agreement is finalized
14 between the City of Philadelphia and the
15 Philadelphia Eagles in which public tax money is
16 spent on a new stadium, every attempt be made to
17 ensure in that agreement that Philadelphia Eagles
18 games will not be blacked out.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The chair
20 recognizes Councilman Rizzo.

21 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: I move for the
22 adoption of the resolution.

23 (Duly seconded.)

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

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2 adopted.

3 All in favor will signify by saying aye.

4 Those opposed?

5 I think we better have a role call vote.

6 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

7 Blackwell.

8 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Clark.

10 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: No.

11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Clarke.

12 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Cohen.

14 COUNCILMAN COHEN: No.

15 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman DiCicco.

16 COUNCILMAN DI CICC0: No.

17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney.

18 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: No.

19 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

20 Krajewski.

21 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: No.

22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman

23 Longstreth.

24 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: No.

25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Mariano.

1 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

2 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: No.

3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
4 Miller.

5 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: No.

6 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Nutter.

7 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: No.

8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
9 O'Neill.

10 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: No.

11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz.

12 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: No.

13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Rizzo.

14 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Yes.

15 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Tasco.

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Absent.

17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: President Verna.

18 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: No.

19 I believe the ayes are 3. The nays are

20 12. The motion fails.

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22 COUNCILMAN VERNA: The next order of
23 business is reports from committees.

24 The Chair recognizes Councilman Kenney
25 for a report from the Licenses and Inspections

1 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

2 Committee.

3 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you, Madam
4 Chair. The Council Committee on Licenses and
5 Inspections reports out two bills with favorable
6 recommendations.

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

9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: To the President
10 and Members of the Council of the City of
11 Philadelphia, the Committee on Licenses and
12 Inspections to which was referred Bill No. 990495,
13 entitled "An Ordinance amending sub-code PM of Title
14 4" the Philadelphia Code entitled the "Philadelphia
15 Property Maintenance Code," by extending the
16 emergency nuisance abatement program to include the
17 5th Ward respectfully reports that it has considered
18 the same and returns the attached bill to Council
19 with a favorable recommendation.

20 Bill No 990605 entitled "An Ordinance
21 amending Sub-Code PM of Title 4" of the Philadelphia
22 Code entitled the Philadelphia Property maintenance
23 Code by extending the emergency nuisance abatement
24 program to include the 5th Ward, the 2nd Ward, the
25 39th Ward and the 39B Ward respectfully reports it

1 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

2 has considered the same and returns the attached
3 bill to Council with a favorable recommendations.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
5 recognizes Councilman Kenney.

6 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you, Madam
7 President. I move the rules of Council be suspended
8 so as to permit first readings to Bill No. 990495
9 and 990605 today.

10 (Duly seconded.)

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It has been
12 moved and properly seconded that the rules of
13 Council be suspended so as to permit first reading
14 of Bill Nos. 990495 and 990605 on today's calendar.

15 All in favor will signify by saying aye.

16 Those opposed?

17 The ayes have it. The motion carries.

18 Are there any other reports from
19 committees?

20 - - -

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: There being
22 none, the next order of business is consideration of
23 the bills on the First Reading Calendar. The Clerk
24 will please read the title of Bill No. 990600.

25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance to

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1
2 amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the
3 zoning designations of certain areas of land located
4 within an area bounded by 58th Street, Kingsessing
5 Avenue, 59th Street Greenway Avenue, 60th Street,
6 and Woodland Avenue.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
8 agrees. The bill read by the Chief Clerk will be
9 placed on the Second Reading and Final Passage
10 Calendar for next week.

11 The Clerk will please read the title of
12 Bill No. 990495.

13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Bill No. 990495, an
14 ordinance amending Sub-Code PM of Title 4 of the
15 Philadelphia Code entitled "The Philadelphia
16 Property Maintenance Code" by extending the
17 emergency nuisance abatement program to include the
18 5th Ward.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
20 agrees. The bill read by the Chief Clerk will be
21 placed on the Second Reading and Final Passage
22 Calendar for our next meeting.

23 The Clerk will please read the title of
24 Bill No. 990605.

25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance

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2 amending Sub-Code PM of Title 4 of the Philadelphia
3 Code entitled "The Philadelphia Property Maintenance
4 Code" by extending the emergency nuisance abatement
5 program to include the 1st Ward, the 2nd Ward, the
6 39A Ward and the 39B Ward.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
8 agrees. The bill read by the Chief Clerk will be
9 placed on the Second Reading and Final Passage
10 Calendar for our next meeting.

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12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This concludes
13 the bills to be considered on the First Reading
14 Calendar.

15 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Clark
16 for the purpose of calling up bills on the Second
17 Reading and Final Passage Calendar.

18 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Madam President,
19 all bills published on Second and Final Calendar are
20 called up except Bill Nos. 980239 and 990492.

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

23 The first bill being called for
24 consideration is Bill No. 990250. The Clerk will
25 please read the title of the bill.

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2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
3 authorizing the Commissioner of the Department of
4 Streets to take steps necessary to rehabilitate or
5 replace a retaining wall which is located in the
6 rear of premises of 5202 through 5254 Berks Street.

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

10 The Clerk will please call the role.

11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
12 Blackwell.

13 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

14 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Clark.

15 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Aye.

16 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Cohen.

17 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman DiCicco.

19 COUNCILMAN DI CICC0: Aye.

20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney.

21 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
23 Krajewski.

24 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman

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2 Longstreth.

3 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.

4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Mariano.

5 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

6 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

7 Miller.

8 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.

9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Nutter.

10 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.

11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman

12 O'Neill.

13 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.

14 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz.

15 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.

16 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Rizzo.

17 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Council President

19 Verna.

20 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: Aye.

21 The ayes are 15. The nays are 0.

22 The next bill being called for

23 consideration is Bill No. 990463. The Clerk will

24 please read the title of the bill.

25 I'm sorry, I didn't realize there were

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2 lights on. Councilwoman Blackwell, did you want to
3 be recognized?

4 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Madam

5 President, I neglected to say at the beginning of
6 the session that I wanted to take the opportunity
7 to introduce my best friend who is here again. She
8 is the one that does my newsletters and she's here
9 from Nigeria to visit her sick mother. And
10 certainly if anybody, I just got more in, I just got
11 more printed, so they're available for those people
12 who wanted one or a few who didn't have an
13 opportunity to get one. I hope that the Council
14 will join me in welcoming and thanking Delores
15 Muhammad.

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: We'd be more
17 than happy to recognize her. And welcome.

18 (Applause.)

19 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,
20 Madam President.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
22 recognizes Councilman Mariano. Your light is on,
23 sir.

24 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: A mistake.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Clerk will

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2 please read the title of Bill No. 990463.

3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
4 amending Section 19-203(4) of the Philadelphia Code,
5 entitled "Payroll Deductions," by permitting City
6 employees to authorize payroll deductions for the
7 German American Police Association.

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

11 The Clerk will call the role.

12 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
13 Blackwell.

14 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

15 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Clark.

16 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Aye.

17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Clarke.

18 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

19 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Cohen.

20 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

21 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman DiCicco.

22 COUNCILMAN DI CICC0: Aye.

23 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney.

24 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

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2 Krajewski.
3 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
5 Longstreth.
6 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Mariano.
8 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
10 Miller.
11 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
12 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Nutter.
13 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
14 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
15 O'Neill.
16 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz.
18 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.
19 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Rizzo.
20 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
21 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Tasco
22 is absent.
23 Council President Verna.
24 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: Aye.
25 The ayes are 15. The nays are 0.

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2 The Clerk will please read the title of
3 Bill No. 990254.

4 Councilman Mariano, your light is on
5 again. Do you want to be recognized?

6 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: I think it's
7 Councilman Clarke.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Councilman
9 Clarke, is your light on?

10 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Yes, Madam Chair.
11 Madam Chair, I'm still in the running for Rookie
12 Councilperson of the Year, and I do not want to miss
13 a vote, but I was not called on 990250.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Ms. Hauser, do
15 you have Councilman Clarke on record as having voted
16 on that bill.

17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Yes, I do.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

19 And we also have him as having voted on Bill No.

20 990463?

21 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Yes, I do.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

23 Thank you, Councilman.

24 The Clerk will please read the title of
25 Bill No. 990254.

1 SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE CALENDAR

2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
3 amending an ordinance approved December 14, 1971, as
4 amended, which approved the redevelopment proposal,
5 the urban renewal plan and the relocation plan of
6 the Redevelopment Authority of the City of
7 Philadelphia for the redevelopment of South Central
8 Urban Renewal area, by approving the tenth amendment
9 of the redevelopment proposal of the tenth amendment
10 of the urban renewal plan.

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

14 The Clerk will call the role.

15 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
16 Blackwell.

17 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Clark.

19 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Aye.

20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Clarke.

21 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Cohen.

23 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

24 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman DiCicco.

25 COUNCILMAN DI CICC0: Aye.

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2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney.

3 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

5 Krajewski.

6 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman

8 Longstreth.

9 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.

10 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Mariano.

11 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

12 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

13 Miller.

14 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.

15 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Nutter.

16 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.

17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman

18 O'Neill.

19 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.

20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz.

21 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.

22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Rizzo.

23 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

24 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Tasco

25 is absent.

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2 President Verna.

3 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: Aye.

4 The ayes are 15. The nays are 0. A
5 majority of all Members of Council having voted in
6 the affirmative, the bill passes.

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8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: We will now
9 dispense with the regular order of business for the
10 purpose of introduction of a bill. The Chair
11 recognizes Councilman Kenney for the introduction of
12 an ordinance.

13 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you, Madam
14 President. I offer one bill on your behalf.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Clerk will
16 please read the title of the bill.

17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
18 amending an ordinance approved December 14, 1971, as
19 amended, which approved the redevelopment proposal,
20 the urban renewal plan and the relocation plan of
21 the Redevelopment Authority of the City of
22 Philadelphia for the redevelopment of South Central
23 Urban Renewal area, by approving the 11th amendment
24 of the redevelopment proposal, the 11th amendment to
25 the urban renewal plan and an amendment to the

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2 relocation plan.

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

5 The Chair recognizes Councilman DiCicco.

6 COUNCILMAN DI CICC0: Thank you, Madam
7 President. I just wanted to speak for a moment on
8 the bill that was just introduced. I understand
9 there is a letter that has been circulated to a
10 number of Council representatives this morning
11 pertaining to three properties on the 1300 block of
12 Katherine Street. I do not have the letter in my
13 possession, but I got glimpses of it during this
14 morning. I just wanted to set the record straight
15 that at the hearing last week when the three
16 properties 1331, 1333, and 1335 Katherine Street
17 were removed from the list when the question as to
18 whether or not the title of bill could be changed to
19 reflect that, we were advised by Noel Eisenstat of
20 the Redevelopment Authority and others that it
21 wasn't necessary to change the title of the bill or
22 in fact we could not even do that legally. That the
23 record, the testimony was sufficient evidence and
24 record that would allow those properties to be
25 taken. So nothing could change what was done last

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2 week basically. The bottom line is those three
3 properties were removed from the list for taking and
4 the record will reflect that. And I just wanted to
5 reinforce that to the people in the audience today
6 that it will in fact occur. Thank you, Madam
7 President.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
9 thanks the gentleman. This concludes our Calendar.

10 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Point of order.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
12 recognizes Councilwoman Clark.

13 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Madam Chair, I
14 would just like to follow up on the comments made by
15 my colleague and say I was one of the persons who
16 received the letter and whenever a homestead is at
17 stake people are very nervous. The people who had
18 asked me about this wanted a public discussion on
19 the record with the stenographic record. I'm
20 certain they are now satisfied that this has been
21 done. I thank my colleague Mr. Frank DiCicco for
22 it.

23 What you asked for is to have it done
24 publicly, and that's what has been done. But we'll
25 talk about it later.

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Councilwoman
3 Clark, I believe that was done publicly at the
4 public hearing, and I'm sure that the notes of
5 testimony will reflect that.

6 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: I appreciate it.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

8 Are there any speeches on behalf of the
9 Majority?

10 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Point of order.

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

13 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: This is not in the
14 speeches part.

15 We have with us today Mr. George Savinov
16 from our sister city in Russia, Nizhny Novgorod (ph).
17 Mr. Savinov is a guest of the City's Department of
18 Commerce and is studying economic development
19 programs, strategy and general government
20 operations. We welcome him here today and thank him
21 for his interest in our City.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: If the
23 gentleman is here, if he would please stand, we
24 would be very happy to recognize and welcome you.
25 Welcome.

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2 (Applause.)

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

4 Are there any speeches on the part of the majority?

5 The Chair recognizes Councilman DiCicco.

6 COUNCILMAN DI CICC0: Thank you, Madam
7 President. This morning I offered a resolution
8 requesting that the School District begin to issue
9 emergency checks for those employees who have not
10 been compensated for a number of weeks. It was
11 reported very eloquently today in today's Daily News
12 by Mr. Russel Beyers about the problems over at the
13 School District.

14 You know, there are a lot of things that
15 have been going on in this Council, and I think it's
16 very obvious that I've always had my concern for the
17 upper level management over at the District. I
18 really wonder if Dr. Hornbeck and his top management
19 team had not received a check would this have
20 allowed to go along for such a long time.

21 I can recall back in the late eighties,
22 early nineties, when AMS was the management system
23 for the traffic court. They almost brought traffic
24 court to a complete stop. How could anyone in their
25 right mind, after having a city agency experience

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2 problems with AMS, elect to decide to use them for
3 an agency that has about 22 point -- \$1.5 billion
4 budget.

5 Personally, I could never go without a
6 paycheck. If I didn't get a paycheck this Friday, I
7 would be in trouble.

8 Dr. Hornbeck has a lot of answers to
9 this Council and the citizens of Philadelphia. I
10 understand there are hearings today. I'm sure there
11 are going to be a lot of questions as to that. But
12 this is a disgrace. This is a total disgrace that
13 should not have happened. And for Dr. Hornbeck to
14 do his usual dance to say it wasn't him, it wasn't
15 his staff, it was someone else, is a total disgrace
16 to the citizens of Philadelphia and to the people
17 who work for the School District.

18 Thank you, Madam President.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

20 The chair recognizes Councilwoman
21 Blackwell.

22 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,
23 Madam President.

24 Certainly, I agree that this absolutely
25 should not have happened. There are many issues and

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2 problems and feelings that we have had over the
3 years to ask the School District to be responsible,
4 and perhaps this will point up the need for more
5 vigilance. Anytime the employees and teachers
6 aren't paid, then we're in real trouble about
7 individual computer programs and folks at the bottom
8 rung of the ladder who don't get paid. It
9 absolutely should not have happened. And certainly,
10 I support my colleague, as all of you did, in asking
11 that this be rectified yesterday. Thank you.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

13 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
14 Miller.

15 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Thank you, Madam
16 President.

17 I just want to concur with my
18 colleagues. I would ask the School District help
19 employees resolve the issues around late fees and
20 any penalties or fees that they have incurred due to
21 late bill payments. Thank you.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

23 Are there any other speeches on behalf
24 of the majority?

25 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Clark.

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2 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Madam President,
3 today there is a memorial service being planned for
4 Wilton Norman Chamberlain out at a church in West
5 Philadelphia, and on your behalf and mine, I have
6 sent a citation. I thought it appropriate for this
7 body to recognize his passing. And with your
8 permission, I'd like to read the citation that we
9 sent and ask that it be adopted by standing vote.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Please do.

11 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: The City Council,
12 City of Philadelphia citation mourning the death and
13 honoring the memory of Wilton Norman Chamberlain.

14 The Council of the City of Philadelphia
15 joins citizens from around the world in mourning the
16 sudden death of Mr. Wilt Chamberlain.

17 Whereas, Wilt Chamberlain broke more
18 records, scored more points, won more awards, and
19 showed more skill than anyone in the history of
20 basketball; yet it is not for that alone that we
21 remember him.

22 Whereas, Mr. Chamberlain played for
23 Overbrook High School, the Harlem Globe Trotters,
24 the Philadelphia 76ers, the San Francisco Warriors,
25 and the Los Angeles Lakers; and yet, it is not for

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1

2 that alone that we honor him.

3

4 Whereas, Wilt stood 7 foot 1 and a half
5 inches tall, was known as the big dipper, and
6 possessed an amazing combination of height,
7 strength, grace, and intelligence; yet it is not for
8 that alone that we remember him.

8

9 We remember Mr. Wilt Chamberlain because
10 he was a truly fine gentleman, filled with good
11 humor, constant curtesy, and simple humanity. He
12 was inquisitive, smart with money, loving of family
13 and friends, and constantly seeking more knowledge.
14 He loved to work. He loved to talk. He loved
15 people and was all in all a renaissance man who also
16 played basketball. In his plans were movies, books,
17 investments, and more and more charitable work. He
18 was the most powerful man in sports, but the nature
19 of his inner power was a constant quest for wisdom
20 and for excellence.

20

21 Therefore, with this citation, the
22 Council of the City of Philadelphia does hereby join
23 in mourning the death of the great Wilt Chamberlain.
24 We in Philadelphia have lost a friend, for this was
25 a giant on and off the court. We extend our most
profound condolence to his family to whom we offer

25 All in favor will signify by saying aye.

1 ADJOURNMENT

2 All those opposed will say nay.

3 The ayes have it. The motion carries.

4 Council stands adjourned until Thursday, November 4,
5 1999. Thank you.

6 (Council adjourned at 11:10 a.m.)

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