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COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA

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STATED MEETING

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Thursday, March 11, 1999

10:15 a.m.

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Room 400, City Hall

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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PRESENT: COUNCIL PRESIDENT ANNA C. VERNA

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COUNCILWOMAN AUGUSTA A. CLARK

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COUNCILWOMAN JANNIE BLACKWELL

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COUNCILMAN DAVID COHEN

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COUNCILWOMAN JOAN L. KRAJEWSKI

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COUNCILMAN JAMES F. KENNEY

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COUNCILWOMAN DONNA REED MILLER

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COUNCILMAN MICHAEL A. NUTTER

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COUNCILMAN ANGEL L. ORTIZ

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COUNCILMAN FRANK DICICCO

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COUNCILMAN BRIAN J. O'NEILL

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COUNCILMAN RICHARD T. MARIANO

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COUNCILMAN W. THACHER LONGSTRETH

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COUNCILMAN FRANK RIZZO

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PATRICIA RAFFERTY, Clerk

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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
5 Council is present. The Council will come to
6 order, members will take their seats, visitors
7 will retire to the outside rails.

8 To give our invocation this morning,
9 the Chair welcomes the Reverend Williams Paul
10 Anderson. He is the Pastor of the Holy Cross
11 Lutheran Church and is the guest of Councilwoman
12 Tasco.

13 Members and guests will please rise.
14 (All rise.)

15 REVEREND ANDERSON: Let us bow our
16 heads.

17 Almighty God, our Lord, our Father in
18 Christ Jesus, Lord God, you have called us to
19 labor in your vineyard. And without you, Lord
20 God, we recognize and realize that we can do
21 nothing.

22 Father, we pray for your presence at
23 this meeting. We ask that you would enlighten us
24 and guide us. That in all matters, Lord God, in
25 which we will deliberate, that Lord God, that we

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2 may know that it will promote what is best for
3 this city. And that then, Lord God, we may
4 rebound in Your praise.

5 Father, we ask for a special blessing
6 upon this Council, that their Lord God may
7 deliberate, Lord God, with wisdom. That, Lord
8 God, they may deliberate with unity and fairness.
9 That all schism, Lord God, will no longer be
10 present. And that, Lord God, only, only Your
11 mighty presence will be felt here. And that, Lord
12 God, that they will be on one accord.

13 Lord God, the merciful father, give us
14 that special understanding. Give us, Lord God,
15 the peace in knowing that You do all things well.
16 And, Lord God, we pray this prayer in the name of
17 Your precious son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and our
18 savior, in whom all things we please thee. In His
19 name, we give you the glory and the honor.

20 Amen.

21 ALL: Amen.

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

25 I would ask Councilman Nutter or

1 APPROVAL OF 3/4/99 JOURNAL

2 Councilman Kenney to please introduce the
3 Councilmembers to the Reverend.

4 (Council stands at ease.)

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6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The next
7 order of business is the approval of the Journal
8 of the meeting of March 4, 1999.

9 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
10 Blackwell.

11 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Madam Chair,
12 we vote for the approval of the Journal of that
13 date.

14 (Duly seconded.)

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It has been
16 moved and properly seconded that the Journal of
17 the meeting of Thursday, March 4, 1999 stand
18 approved.

19 All in favor, signify by saying aye.

20 Those opposed?

21 The ayes have it, the motion is
22 carried. The Journal of Thursday, March 4, 1999
23 is approved.

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1 REQUESTS FOR LEAVES OF ABSENCE

2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The next
3 order of business is leaves of absence.

4 Chair recognizes Councilman Nutter.

5 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Madam President, to
6 the best of my knowledge, there are no direct
7 requests for leaves of absence for the majority at
8 this time.

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
10 thanks the Councilman.

11 The Chair recognizes Councilman
12 Longstreth.

13 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Madam
14 President, I have no requests for leaves of
15 absence for the minority.

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
17 thanks the gentleman

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19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
20 will dispense with the regular order of business
21 to recognize guests and visitors joining us in the
22 chambers this morning.

23 On behalf of all members of City
24 Council, I welcome you to our Council session this
25 morning. We appreciate your taking the time to

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2 join us as we attend to the legislative affairs of
3 our city. We invite you to come again.

4 This morning we are honoring Mr. James
5 Brown, IV. I invite Councilman Blackwell to come
6 and make this presentation.

7 (Councilwoman Blackwell comes forward.)

8 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,
9 Madam President.

10 We certainly invite Mr. Brown and all
11 who are here with him to come forward, and we
12 welcome you here.

13 (Mr. Brown and guests come forward.)

14 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Resolution
15 honoring James Brown, IV:

16 Whereas Mr. James Brown, IV, a native
17 of Virginia, came to Philadelphia in 1961, having
18 worked his way through Virginia Union University
19 to accept a position at the Temple University
20 Medical School. His long-held interest in urban
21 historic restoration soon won his heart, and by
22 1963, he and his mentor, Mr. William Henderson,
23 became partners in the real estate market;

24 And whereas, by 1967, Mr. Brown had
25 left Temple, was working full-time in historic

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2 preservation in West Philadelphia and was
3 beginning to enhance both housing and housing
4 opportunities for the growing minority population
5 in the Parkside neighborhood. Project followed
6 project, and Jim Brown, who had worked in
7 construction in Richmond and had inherited his
8 grandfather's skills in everything mechanical, was
9 on his way to changing the face of his
10 neighborhood;

11 And whereas, the Parkside Historic
12 Preservation Corporation, which Mr. Brown founded
13 and now directs, succeeded in restoring a whole
14 series of the late-1800s mansions and townhouses
15 bordering Fairmount Park, they are now inhabited
16 by a rainbow of mix of citizens, they provide
17 programs and community support, they serve as a
18 national example of the value of preserving what
19 is best in our history and tradition;

20 And whereas, for his singular
21 achievement and mammoth undertaking James Brown,
22 IV has been chosen as one of the five finalists
23 for the Rudy Bruner Award for Urban Excellence.
24 He is a strong candidate for the gold medal, which
25 will be awarded in May. We are persuaded that Mr.

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2 Brown and his Parkside Historic Preservation
3 Corporation have done much to bring attention to
4 the lasting beauty of Philadelphia's architectural
5 heritage.

6 And let me add that he is one of the
7 leaders in our city and in our nation that have
8 won many awards; and certainly without him, we
9 could not have the housing stock, we could not do
10 what we do in housing in West Philadelphia. And
11 he works with his family, and I'm sure he will
12 introduce them when he makes his remarks. And
13 he's been a blessing certainly to every one of us
14 in this room and to our entire city.

15 Now, therefore, resolved by the Council
16 of the Council of the City of Philadelphia that we
17 hereby honor and commend James Brown, IV. We
18 congratulate him on this great honor and thank him
19 for the wonderful work done in Parkside.

20 Resolved, therefore, that an engrossed
21 copy of this resolution be presented to Mr. James
22 Brown as evidence of the high esteem and deep
23 respect of this legislative body.

24 Certification: This is a true and
25 correct copy of the original resolution adopted by

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2 the Council of the City of Philadelphia on the
3 18th day of February, 1999. And it is signed and
4 attested to and confirmed by all members of City
5 Council.

6 Congratulations and thank you.

7 (Applause.)

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERA: The Chair
9 recognizes Mr. Brown for remarks.

10 MR. BROWN: Thank you. I'd like to
11 first thank the City of Philadelphia for giving me
12 the opportunity to demonstrate what can be done.
13 Obviously, I'd like to thank my family, my wife,
14 and my daughter, and my dear sister who's here
15 from Boston.

16 Also, I'd like to say a couple of other
17 things. One of the things that people forget
18 sometimes, other than family and other than
19 legislative bodies, I'd also like to thank the
20 Parkside neighborhood for allowing me the
21 opportunity to assist them in gaining some
22 whereabouts and some ability to become mobile, and
23 some ability to demonstrate to the nation as a
24 whole that there are many communities in
25 Philadelphia, in other cities that need to get

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2 themselves together and begin to work to better
3 their conditions. And that we've tried to do very
4 hard internally in Parkside.

5 Thank you very much.

6 (Applause.)

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Council will
8 stand at ease.

9 (Council stands at ease.)

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11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The next
12 order of business is communications.

13 The Chair recognizes the
14 sergeant-at-arms for the purpose of delivering the
15 messages from the Mayor to the chief clerk.

16 MS. RAFFERTY: We have none this
17 morning.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
19 thanks you.

20 Councilman DiCicco?

21 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: I would like to
22 introduce a guest this morning.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Oh, please do
24 so.

25 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Okay, thank you,

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2 Madam President.

3 It gives me great pleasure to introduce
4 a gentleman who is a councilman in the province of
5 Venice, Italy. He's with us today. His name is
6 Paolo Della Vecchio (ph.), and he's here with his
7 interpreter Laura MacIntyre (ph.). Would you
8 please stand.

9 (Applause.)

10 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: He's from the
11 beautiful, romantic city of Venice.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Oh, yes.

13 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Thank you.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

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

17 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Clark
18 for the purpose of making a motion to suspend the
19 rules.

20 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Madam Chair, I
21 move that the rules of Council be suspended so as
22 to permit the immediate consideration of
23 resolutions when introduced.

24 (Duly seconded.)

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: All in favor

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2 of the motion to suspend the rules to permit
3 immediate consideration of resolutions at the time
4 of introduction will say aye.

5 Those opposed?

6 The ayes have it, the motion is
7 carried.

8 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
9 Clark.

10 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Madam Chair, I
11 have one bill to introduce on behalf of the 5th
12 District.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chief
14 Clerk will please read the title of the bill.

15 MS. RAFFERTY: An ordinance
16 establishing a parking regulation on 13th Street,
17 both sides, Allegheny to Westmoreland Street.

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

20 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
21 Blackwell.

22 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Madam
23 President, I have one bill.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The clerk
25 will please read the title of the bill.

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2 MS. RAFFERTY: An ordinance granting
3 permission to Charles M. Faulk, owner of the
4 newsstand located at the northwest corner of 36th
5 and Market Street, to construct, use and maintain
6 electrical line and communications fiber optic
7 lying over and across the north footway of Market
8 Street.

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

11 The Chair recognizes Councilman Cohen.

12 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Madam President, I
13 have no bills or resolutions today.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
15 thanks the Councilman.

16 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
17 Krajewski.

18 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Madam
19 President, I have no bills or resolutions.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

21 The Chair recognizes Councilman
22 Mariano.

23 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Madam President, I
24 have one resolution.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The clerk

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2 will please read the title of the resolution.

3 MS. RAFFERTY: A resolution authorizing
4 the Council Committee on Transportation and Public
5 Utilities to hold hearings to investigate the
6 service failures of SEPTA's Paratransit Division.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
8 recognizes Councilman Mariano.

9 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: I move for the
10 adoption, Madam Chair.

11 (Duly seconded.)

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
13 resolution will be referred to the appropriate
14 committee.

15 The Chair recognizes Councilman Kenney.

16 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you, Madam
17 President. I offer three bills on your behalf and
18 one privileged resolution.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The chief
20 clerk will please read the first bill.

21 MS. RAFFERTY: An ordinance
22 establishing a parking regulation on Rosewood
23 Street, east side, Wolf Street to Ritner Street.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The bill will
25 be referred to the appropriate committee.

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2 MS. RAFFERTY: An ordinance
3 establishing a parking regulation on Fitzwater
4 Street, both sides, 20th Street to 21st Street.

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

7 MS. RAFFERTY: An ordinance
8 establishing a parking regulation on 17th Street,
9 both sides, Catharine Street to Christian Street.

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

12 The clerk will please read the title of
13 the resolution.

14 MS. RAFFERTY: A resolution honoring
15 the memory of Joseph Paul DiMaggio, an American
16 legend.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
18 recognizes Councilman Kenney.

19 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: I move the adoption
20 of the resolution by a standing yes vote.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Everyone
22 voting for the resolution will kindly stand.

23 (All present Councilmembers stand.)

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The motion
25 has been carried.

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2 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman

3 Miller.

4 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Thank you, Madam
5 President. I offer one resolution and one bill.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The clerk
7 will please read the title of the bill.

8 MS. RAFFERTY: An ordinance
9 establishing a parking regulation on Lenox Avenue,
10 south side, Broad Street to 15th Street.

11 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: The bill will be
12 referred to the appropriate committee.

13 MS. RAFFERTY: A resolution recognizing
14 and commending heroic acts and bravery of Don
15 Gravatt and Robert Statler during a fire at the
16 Hill Tower Apartments on the evening of Sunday,
17 February 14, 1999.

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

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

22 (Duly seconded.)

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: All those in
24 favor of the adoption of the resolution will
25 signify by saying aye.

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2 Those opposed? The ayes have it, the
3 motion is carried.

4 The Chair recognizes Councilman Nutter.

5 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Madam President, I
6 offer one bill.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The clerk
8 will please read the title of the bill.

9 MS. RAFFERTY: An ordinance authorizing
10 the striking from City Plan No. 163 of East River
11 Road from Calumet Street to the line of Fairmount
12 Park, under certain terms and conditions.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The bill will
14 be referred to the appropriate committee.

15 Is Councilwoman Tasco here?

16 (Councilwoman Tasco not present.)

17 The Chair recognizes Councilman Ortiz.

18 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Madam President, I
19 have one bill -- two bills from Councilwoman Tasco
20 and one resolution.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The chief
22 clerk will please read the title of the bill.

23 MS. RAFFERTY: An ordinance
24 establishing a parking regulation on Rising Sun
25 Avenue, west side, from Cheltenham Avenue to

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2 Alcott Street.

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

5 MS. RAFFERTY: An ordinance
6 establishing a parking regulation on Front Street,
7 north side, Olney Avenue to Godfrey Avenue.

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

10 The clerk will please read the title of
11 the resolution.

12 MS. RAFFERTY: A resolution calling on
13 the Pennsylvania legislature to enact legislation
14 to prevent gun trafficking by limiting purchases
15 to one gun per month.

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
17 recognizes Councilman Ortiz.

18 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Madam President, I
19 move the adoption of the resolution.

20 (Duly seconded.)

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: All those in
22 favor will signify by saying aye.

23 Those opposed?

24 The ayes have it, the motion is
25 carried.

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2 The Chair recognizes Councilman Ortiz.

3 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Madam Chair, on
4 behalf of Councilman Ortiz, Councilman Cohen, and
5 Councilman Longstreth, I have one resolution.

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

8 MS. RAFFERTY: A resolution urging the
9 Mayor and the City of Philadelphia to support the
10 formation of a Philadelphia-Santiago Cuban sister
11 city relationship while extending its greetings to
12 the people the people of Santiago, encouraging
13 people-to-people communication, friendship, and
14 good will.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
16 recognizes Councilman Ortiz.

17 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Madam President, I
18 move the adoption of the resolution.

19 (Duly seconded.)

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: All those in
21 favor will signify by saying aye.

22 Those opposed?

23 The ayes have it, the motion carried.

24 The Chair recognizes Councilman
25 DiCicco.

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2 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Thank you, Madam
3 President. I offer four bills.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The clerk
5 will please read the titles of the bills.

6 MS. RAFFERTY: An ordinance granting
7 permission to Girish B. Sanghvi, owner of the
8 newsstand located on the northeast corner of Ninth
9 and Market Street, to construct, use, and maintain
10 electrical conduit for service line for his
11 newsstand located there, under certain terms and
12 conditions.

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

15 MS. RAFFERTY: An ordinance granting
16 permission to Procacci Brothers Sales, 3655 South
17 Lawrence Street, to construct, use, and maintain
18 two 4-inch ducts for fiber optic lines, under
19 certain terms and conditions.

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

22 MS. RAFFERTY: An ordinance authorizing
23 Michael Del Quandro, owner of the property at 1100
24 Mercy Street, to construct and maintain various
25 encroachments onto and over the west footway of

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2 11th Street, under certain terms and conditions.

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

5 MS. RAFFERTY: An ordinance authorizing
6 Lights of Liberty, 150 South Independence Mall
7 West, to construct, operate, and maintain four
8 raised panel boxes on various public
9 rights-of-way, all under certain terms and
10 conditions.

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

13 The Chair recognizes Councilman
14 O'Neill.

15 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Madam Chair, I
16 offer one bill.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The clerk
18 will please read the title of the bill.

19 MS. RAFFERTY: An ordinance authorizing
20 the construction of a sanitary sewer and
21 appurtenant work in a portion of Trevoise Road.

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

24 The Chair recognizes Councilman
25 Longstreth.

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2 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: No bills or
3 resolutions, Madam Chair.

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

6 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: No bills or
7 resolutions, Madam President.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
9 thanks the Councilman.

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11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The next
12 order of business is reports from committees.

13 The Chair recognizes the Chair
14 recognizes Councilwoman Clark for the report of
15 the Committee of the Whole.

16 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Madam Chair, the
17 Committee of the Whole reports -- the Committee of
18 the Whole moves that the rules of Council be
19 suspended so as to permit first reading --

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: No, I'm
21 sorry.

22 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: What?

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Would you
24 report the bills that are being reported out of
25 committee?

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2 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Oh, all right.

3 Madam Chair, the following bills are called up for
4 consideration today: Bill No. 98 --

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: No, no, no
6 Councilwoman.

7 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: What?

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The report of
9 the Committee of the Whole. You're reporting out
10 the bill.

11 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Oh, okay. You
12 don't need the suspension of the rules; you just
13 want the bills at this point.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: At this
15 point.

16 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: All right. The
17 Committee of the Whole reports out the following
18 bills: Bill No. 980021 (sic), 990022, 990023,
19 990024, and 99025.

20 Now, on that first one, it should have
21 been 990021.

22 Madam Chair, the committee moves that
23 the rules of Council be suspended so as to permit
24 first reading of these bills today.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

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2 The clerk will please read the titles
3 of the bills.

4 MS. RAFFERTY: To the President and
5 Members of the Council of the City of
6 Philadelphia: The Committee of the Whole, to
7 which was referred --

8 Bill No. 990021, an ordinance to adopt
9 a Capital Program for the six fiscal years 2000 to
10 2005 inclusive;

11 And Bill No. 990022, an ordinance to
12 adopt Fiscal 2000 Capital Budget;

13 And Bill No. 990023, an ordinance
14 adopting the Operating Budget for Fiscal Year
15 2000;

16 And Bill No. 990024, an ordinance
17 amending Chapter 19-2600 of The Philadelphia Code
18 entitled "Business Privilege Taxes" by decreasing
19 the rate of the tax based upon gross receipts;

20 And Bill No. 990025, an ordinance
21 amending Chapter 19-1500 of The Philadelphia Code
22 entitled "Wage and Net Profits Tax" by decreasing
23 the rate of the tax. . .

24 -- respectfully reports it has
25 considered and amended the same and returns the

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2 attached bills to Council with a favorable
3 recommendation.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: A motion has
5 been made to suspend the rules of Council so as to
6 permit first reading of Bill No.'s 990021, 990022,
7 990023, 990024, and 990025.

8 (Duly seconded.)

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

11 Those opposed?

12 The ayes have it. Bill No.'s 990021,
13 990022, 990023, 990024, and 990025 will be placed
14 on our first-reading calendar for today.

15 The Chair recognizes Councilman Kenney
16 for a report from the Rules Committee.

17 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you, Madam
18 President.

19 The Council Committee on Rules reports
20 out one bill with a favorable recommendation and
21 seeks a rules suspension.

22 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: The clerk will
23 please read the title of the bill.

24 MS. RAFFERTY: To the President and
25 Members of the Council of the City of

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2 Philadelphia: The Committee on Rules -- to which
3 was referred Bill No. 990037, an ordinance
4 amending Section 1 of the ordinance approved June
5 25, 1998, Bill No. 980452, an ordinance
6 authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property,
7 Director of Commerce, Director of Aviation, and
8 other officials of the City, to acquire real
9 estate and enter into certain leases and other
10 agreements with the Philadelphia Authority For
11 Industrial Development -- respectfully reports
12 that it has considered the same and returns the
13 attached bill to Council with a favorable
14 recommendation.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
16 recognizes Councilman Kenney.

17 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Madam President, I
18 move that the rules of Council be suspended so as
19 to permit first reading of Bill No. 990037 today.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Do I hear a
21 second?

22 (Duly seconded.)

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It has been
24 properly moved and seconded that the rules of
25 Council be suspended to permit first reading of

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2 Bill No. 990037.

3 All in favor will signify by saying
4 aye.

5 Those opposed?

6 The ayes have it, the motion is
7 carried.

8 Bill No. 990037 will be placed on our
9 first-reading calendar for today.

10 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
11 Krajewski for a report from the Appropriations
12 Committee.

13 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Madam
14 President, the Committee on Appropriations reports
15 out three bills with a favorable recommendation.

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The clerk
17 will please read the titles of the bills.

18 MS. RAFFERTY: To the President and
19 Members of the Council of the City of
20 Philadelphia, the Committee on Appropriations, to
21 which was referred:

22 Bill No. 990032, an ordinance
23 authorizing transfers and appropriations for
24 Fiscal Year 1999 within the Grants Revenue Fund
25 from the Director of Finance Provisions and Other

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2 Grants to the First Judicial District of
3 Pennsylvania;

4 And Bill No. 990033, an ordinance
5 authorizing transfers and appropriation for Fiscal
6 Year 1999 within the Grants Revenue Fund from the
7 Director of Finance Provision for Other Grants to
8 the Board of Trustees of the Free Library of
9 Philadelphia;

10 And Bill No. 990034, an ordinance
11 authorizing transfers and appropriations for
12 Fiscal Year 1999 within the General Fund from
13 certain or all City offices, departments, boards,
14 and commissions to certain or all City offices,
15 departments, boards, and commissions. . .

16 . . . respectively reports that it has
17 considered the same and returns the attached bills
18 to Council with a favorable recommendation.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERA: The Chair
20 recognizes Councilwoman Krajewski.

21 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Madam
22 President, I move that the rules of Council be
23 suspended so as to permit first reading of Bills.
24 No. 990032, 990033, and 990034.

25 (Duly seconded.)

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It has been
3 moved and properly seconded that the rules of
4 Council be suspended so as to permit first reading
5 of Bill No.'s 990032, 990033, and 990034.

6 All in favor will signify by saying
7 aye.

8 Those opposed?

9 The ayes have it. Bill No.'s 990032,
10 990033, and 990034 will be placed on our
11 first-reading calendar for today.

12 The Chair recognizes Councilman DiCicco
13 for a report from the Streets and Services
14 Committee.

15 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Thank you, Madam
16 President.

17 The Committee on Streets and Services
18 reports 22 bills out of committee with a favorable
19 recommendation.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The clerk
21 will please read the titles of the bills.

22 MS. RAFFERTY: To the President and
23 Members of the Council City of Philadelphia: The
24 Committee on Streets and Services, to which was
25 referred:

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2 Bill No. 980717, an ordinance
3 authorizing the revision of lines and grades on a
4 portion of City Plan No. 128 of an area bounded by
5 Cambria Street, 19th Street, Indiana Avenue, and
6 17th Street;

7 And Bill No. 980720, an ordinance
8 authorizing Pietro's Coal Oven Pizzeria, located
9 at 121-123 South Street, to construct and maintain
10 various encroachments onto and over the north
11 footway of South Street;

12 And Bill No. 980747, an ordinance
13 authorizing the paving of Park Avenue;

14 And Bill No. 980802, an ordinance
15 authorizing Richard Grande and Anna Grande, owners
16 of Gianna's Restaurant, 721-723 Wharton Street, to
17 construct and maintain one bench anchored into the
18 footway and two electrified private street lights;

19 And Bill No. 980898, an ordinance
20 authorizing the installation of stop signs on
21 Westmoreland Street, at the intersection of Amber
22 Street;

23 And Bill No. 980899, an ordinance
24 authorizing the installation of stop signs on
25 Venango Street, at the intersection of Sepviva

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2 Street;

3 And Bill No. 980900, an ordinance
4 authorizing the installation of stop signs on
5 Third Street, at the intersection of George
6 Street;

7 And Bill No. 980924, an ordinance
8 establishing a parking regulation on Broad Street,
9 west side, Ellsworth Street to Federal Street;

10 And Bill No. 980925, an ordinance
11 establishing parking regulations on Maplewood
12 Avenue, north side, Green Street to Wayne Avenue;

13 And Bill No. 980926, an ordinance
14 authorizing the revision of lines and grades on
15 portions of City Plan No. 177 by striking from
16 City Plan Mayland Street from Stenton Avenue to
17 Crittenden Street;

18 And Bill No. 980929, an ordinance
19 authorizing the revision of lines and grades on a
20 portion of City Plan No. 58 by striking from City
21 Plan and vacating Nectarine Street;

22 And Bill No. 980946, an ordinance
23 granting permission to Marvin Bey, 2009 South 20th
24 Street, owner of the newsstand located at the
25 northeast corner of 20th and Snyder Avenue, for

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2 the purpose of supplying electrical services to
3 his newsstand;

4 And Bill No. 980947, an ordinance
5 granting permission to Williams Communication,
6 Inc., registered to do business in Pennsylvania,
7 to construct, maintain, operate, replace, and
8 remove a telecommunication system in and under the
9 public rights-of-way and City streets, and to
10 place such telecommunications systems within the
11 existing facilities;

12 And Bill No. 980948, an ordinance
13 authorizing Mel Heifetz, 304 South 12th Street,
14 owner of the property 1132 Spruce Street, also
15 known as 301 South 12th Street, to construct and
16 maintain a canopy with support columns on and over
17 the east footway of South 12th Street, under
18 certain terms and conditions;

19 And Bill No. 980951, an ordinance
20 amending Title 10 entitled "Regulation of
21 Individual Conduct and Activity" of The
22 Philadelphia Code to prohibit the placement of
23 Dumpsters in the public right-of-way in the area
24 shopping center districts;

25 And Bill No. 980968, an ordinance

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2 granting permission to Pennsylvania Hospital, 800
3 Spruce Street, to construct, use, and maintain
4 conduit with fiber optic cables and fire alarm
5 cables;

6 And Bill No. 980969, an ordinance
7 granting permission to 1356 Corporation, Nifty
8 Fifty's, located at 1356 East Passyunk Avenue, to
9 operate and maintain an open-air sidewalk cafe on
10 the east footway of South 10th Street;

11 And Bill No. 990029, an ordinance
12 authorizing Sheridan University City, 3501
13 Chestnut Street, to construct and maintain an
14 electrified marquee attached to the property at
15 3501 Chestnut Street;

16 And Bill No. 990030, an ordinance
17 authorizing Sheridan University City, 3501
18 Chestnut Street, operator of the property located
19 at 3501 Chestnut Street, to construct and maintain
20 various encroachments onto and under the north
21 footway of Chestnut Street;

22 And Bill No. 990031, an ordinance
23 granting permission to West Philadelphia Firehouse
24 Associates to operate and maintain an open-air
25 sidewalk cafe on the north footway of Baltimore

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2 Avenue;

3 And Bill No. 990035, an ordinance
4 authorizing the revision of lines and grades on a
5 portion of City Plan No. 187 by striking from the
6 City Plan and vacating the legally open portions
7 of Belgrade Street;

8 And Bill No. 990078, an ordinance
9 authorizing the Regional Performing Arts Center,
10 123 South Broad Street, owner of the building to
11 be constructed at 300-312 South Broad Street, to
12 construct and maintain variance encroachments
13 under, over, and on the public rights-of-way of
14 Broad Street, 15th Street and Spruce Street, under
15 certain terms and conditions. . .

16 . . . respectfully reports it has
17 considered the same and returns the attached bills
18 to Council with a favorable recommendation.

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

21 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Thank you, Madam
22 President. The Chair moves that the rules of
23 Council be suspended for those bills that were
24 just read into the record.

25 (Duly seconded.)

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2 COUNCILWOMAN Verna: It has been moved
3 and properly seconded that the rules of Council be
4 suspended so as to permit first reading of Bill
5 No.'s 980717, 980720, 980747, 980802, 980898,
6 980899, 980900, 980924, 980925, 980926, 980929,
7 980946, 980947, 980948, 980951, 980968, 980969,
8 980029 (sic), 980030, 980031, 990035, and 980079.

9 I feel as though I'm playing bingo.

10 (Duly seconded.)

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: All in favor
12 will signify by saying --

13 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Point of order.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Yes.

15 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: I believe the bill
16 that you read as 980029 should have been 990029.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: I'm sorry,
18 which one was that?

19 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: 990029. I believe
20 I heard you read it off as "980029."

21 COUNCILWOMAN Verna: I have 99. Is it
22 99?

23 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: It's 990029.

24 Thank you.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It is. The

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2 record will so reflect that.

3 All in favor of the motion will say
4 aye.

5 Those opposed?

6 The ayes have it. Bill No.'s 980717,
7 980720, 980747, 980802, 980898, 980899, 980900,
8 980924, 980925, 980926, 980929, 980946, 980947,
9 980948, 980951, 980968, 980969, 990029, 990030,
10 990031, 990035, 990078 will be placed on our
11 first-reading calendar for today.

12 The Chair recognizes Councilman Nutter
13 for the report on the Select Committee of Fiscal
14 Stability and Intergovernmental Cooperation.

15 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Madam President,
16 the committee on Fiscal Stability and
17 Intergovernmental Cooperation reports out one
18 resolution with a favorable recommendation and a
19 rules suspension requested.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERA: No
21 suspension.

22 The clerk will please read the title.

23 MS. RAFFERTY: To the President and
24 Members of the Council City of Philadelphia, the
25 Committee on Fiscal Stability, to which was

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2 referred Resolution 990038, a resolution providing
3 for the approval by the Council of the City of
4 Philadelphia of a revised Five-Year Financial Plan
5 for the City of Philadelphia covering Fiscal Years
6 2000 through 2004.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: This
8 resolution will be voted on at our next stated
9 session.

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11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Our next
12 order of business is the consideration of the
13 calendar.

14 The chief clerk will read the bills on
15 the first-reading calendar.

16 MS. RAFFERTY: Bill No. 990021, an
17 ordinance to adopt a Capital Program for the six
18 Fiscal Years 2000 to 2005, inclusive;

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
20 agrees.

21 MS. RAFFERTY: Bill No. 990022, an
22 ordinance to adopt a Fiscal 2000 Capital Budget;

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
24 agrees.

25 MS. RAFFERTY: Bill No. 990023, an

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2 ordinance adopting the Operating Budget for Fiscal
3 Year 2000;
4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
5 agrees.
6 MS. RAFFERTY: Bill No. 990024, an
7 ordinance amending Chapter 19-2600 of The
8 Philadelphia Code entitled "Business Privilege
9 Taxes" by decreasing the rate of the tax based
10 upon gross receipts.
11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
12 agrees.
13 MS. RAFFERTY: Bill No. 990025, an
14 ordinance amending Chapter 19-1500 of The
15 Philadelphia Code entitled "Wage and Net Profits
16 Tax" by decreasing the rate of the tax.
17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
18 agrees.
19 MS. RAFFERTY: Bill No. 990037, an
20 ordinance amending Section 1 of the ordinance
21 approved June 25, 1998, Bill No. 980452, an
22 ordinance authorizing the Commissioner of Public
23 Property, Director of Commerce, Director of
24 Aviation, and other officials of the City, to
25 acquire real estate and enter into certain leases

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2 and other agreements with the Philadelphia
3 Authority For Industrial Development.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
5 agrees.

6 MS. RAFFERTY: Bill No. 990032 an
7 ordinance authorizing transfers and appropriations
8 for Fiscal Year 1999 within the Grants Revenue
9 Fund from the Director of Finance. . .

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
11 agrees.

12 MS. RAFFERTY: Bill No. 990033, an
13 ordinance authorizing transfers and appropriation
14 for Fiscal Year 1999 within the Grants Revenue
15 Fund from the Director of Finance. . .

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
17 agrees.

18 MS. RAFFERTY: Bill No. 990034, an
19 ordinance authorizing transfers and appropriations
20 for Fiscal Year 1999 within the General Fund from
21 certain or all City offices. . .

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
23 agrees.

24 MS. RAFFERTY: Bill No. 980717, an
25 ordinance authorizing the revision of lines and

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2 grades on a portion of City Plan No. 128 of an
3 area bounded by Cambria Street, 19th Street,
4 Indiana Avenue, and 17th Street, under certain
5 terms and conditions.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
7 agrees.

8 MS. Rafferty: Bill No. 980720, an
9 ordinance authorizing Pietro's Coal Oven Pizzeria,
10 located at 121-123 South Street, to construct and
11 maintain various encroachments. . .

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
13 agrees.

14 MS. Rafferty: Bill No. 980747, an
15 ordinance authorizing the paving of Park Avenue,
16 under certain terms and conditions.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
18 agrees.

19 MS. Rafferty: Bill No. 980802, an
20 ordinance authorizing Richard Grande and Anna
21 Grande, owners of Gianna's Restaurant, 721-723
22 Wharton Street, to construct and maintain one
23 bench anchored into the footway and two
24 electrified private street lights.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair

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2 agrees.

3 MS. RAFFERTY: Bill No. 980898, an
4 ordinance authorizing the installation of stop
5 signs on Westmoreland Street.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
7 agrees.

8 MS. RAFFERTY: Bill No. 980899, an
9 ordinance authorizing the installation of stop
10 signs on Venango Street.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
12 agrees.

13 MS. RAFFERTY: Bill No. 980900, an
14 ordinance authorizing the installation of stop
15 signs on Third Street, at the intersection of
16 George Street.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
18 agrees.

19 MS. RAFFERTY: Bill No. 980924, an
20 ordinance establishing a parking regulation on
21 Broad Street, west side, Ellsworth Street to
22 Federal Street.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
24 agrees.

25 MS. RAFFERTY: Bill No. 980925, an

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2 ordinance establishing parking regulations on
3 Maplewood Avenue, north side, Green Street to
4 Wayne Avenue.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
6 agrees.

7 MS. Rafferty: Bill No. 980926, an
8 ordinance authorizing the revision of lines and
9 grades on portions of City Plan No. 177 by
10 striking from City Plan Mayland Street. . .

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
12 agrees.

13 MS. Rafferty: Bill No. 980929, an
14 ordinance authorizing the revision of lines and
15 grades on a portion of City Plan No. 58 by
16 striking from City Plan and vacating Nectarine
17 Street;.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
19 agrees.

20 MS. Rafferty: Bill No. 980946, an
21 ordinance granting permission to Marvin Bey, 2009
22 South 20th Street, owner of the newsstand located
23 at the northeast corner of 20th and Snyder Avenue,
24 for the purpose of supplying electrical services
25 to his newsstand.

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
3 agrees.

4 MS. RAFFERTY: Bill No. 980947, an
5 ordinance granting permission to Williams
6 Communication, Inc., registered to do business in
7 Pennsylvania, to construct, maintain, operate,
8 replace, and remove a telecommunication system in
9 and under the public rights-of-way and City
10 streets. . .

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
12 agrees.

13 MS. RAFFERTY: Bill No. 980948, an
14 ordinance authorizing Mel Heifetz, 304 South 12th
15 Street, owner of the property at 1132 Spruce
16 Street, also known as 301 South 12th Street, to
17 construct and maintain a canopy with support
18 columns on and over the east footway of South 12th
19 Street, under certain terms and conditions.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
21 agrees.

22 MS. RAFFERTY: Bill No. 980951, an
23 ordinance amending Title 10 entitled "Regulation
24 of Individual Conduct and Activity" of The
25 Philadelphia Code to prohibit the placement of

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2 Dumpsters in the public right-of-way in the area
3 shopping center districts;.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
5 agrees.

6 MS. Rafferty: Bill No. 980968, an
7 ordinance granting permission to Pennsylvania
8 Hospital, 800 Spruce Street, to construct, use,
9 and maintain conduit with fiber optic cables and
10 fire alarm cables.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
12 agrees.

13 MS. Rafferty: Bill No. 980969, an
14 ordinance granting permission to 1356 Corporation,
15 Nifty Fifty's, located at 1356 East Passyunk
16 Avenue, to operate and maintain an open-air
17 sidewalk cafe. . .

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
19 agrees.

20 MS. Rafferty: Bill No. 990029, an
21 ordinance authorizing Sheridan University City,
22 operator of the property at 3501 Chestnut Street,
23 to construct and maintain an electrified marquee
24 attached to the property 3501 Chestnut Street.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair

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2 agrees.

3 MS. RAFFERTY: Bill No. 990030, an
4 ordinance authorizing Sheridan University City,
5 3501 Chestnut Street, operator of the property
6 located at 3501 Chestnut Street, to construct and
7 maintain various encroachments. . .

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
9 agrees.

10 MS. RAFFERTY: Bill No. 990031, an
11 ordinance granting permission to West Philadelphia
12 Firehouse Associates, located at 701 South 50th
13 Street, to operate and maintain an open-air
14 sidewalk cafe. . .

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
16 agrees.

17 MS. RAFFERTY: Bill No. 990035, an
18 ordinance authorizing the revision of lines and
19 grades on a portion of City Plan No. 187 by
20 striking from the City Plan and vacating the
21 legally open portions of Belgrade Street.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Chair
23 agrees.

24 MS. RAFFERTY: Bill No. 990078, an
25 ordinance authorizing the Regional Performing Arts

1 BILLS ON SECOND READING

2 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Councilwoman
4 Clark.

5 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Madam President,
6 Bill No. 980227 is being called up for purpose of
7 recommitment.

8 Bill No. 980464 and 980239 are being
9 held.

10 Bill No. 980895 is being called up for
11 consideration today, as is Bill No. 980901.

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

14 The first bill to be called is Bill No.
15 980227. The clerk will please read the title of
16 that bill.

17 MS. RAFFERTY: An ordinance renaming
18 Cobbs Creek skate house in the park to the Laura
19 Sims' Ice Rink in Cobbs Creek Park.

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

22 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,
23 Madam President, I move that this bill be
24 recommitted to committee.

25 (Duly seconded.)

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: All in favor
3 signify by saying aye.

4 Those opposed?

5 The ayes have it, the bill is
6 recommitted to committee.

7 The clerk will please read Bill No.
8 980895.

9 MS. RAFFERTY: An ordinance amending
10 the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the
11 zoning designations of certain areas of land in
12 the 5th Ward and located within an area bounded by
13 Spring Garden Street, Eighth Street, Vine Street,
14 and 11th Street.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The clerk
16 will please call the roll.

17 MS. RAFFERTY: Councilwoman Blackwell?

18 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

19 MS. RAFFERTY: Councilwoman Clark?

20 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Aye.

21 MS. RAFFERTY: Councilman Cohen?

22 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

23 MS. RAFFERTY: Councilman DiCicco?

24 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

25 MS. RAFFERTY: Councilman Kenney is

1 BILLS ON SECOND READING - 980895
2 voting aye.
3 Councilwoman Krajewski?
4 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
5 MS. RAFFERTY: Councilman Longstreth?
6 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
7 MS. RAFFERTY: Councilman Mariano?
8 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
9 MS. RAFFERTY: Councilwoman Miller?
10 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
11 MS. RAFFERTY: Councilman Nutter?
12 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
13 MS. RAFFERTY: Councilman O'Neill?
14 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
15 MS. RAFFERTY: Councilman Ortiz?
16 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.
17 MS. RAFFERTY: Councilman Rizzo?
18 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
19 MS. RAFFERTY: Councilwoman Tasco?
20 (Councilwoman Tasco not present.)
21 MS. RAFFERTY: Council President
22 Verna?
23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
24 The ayes are 14, the nays are 0.
25 The clerk will please read the title of

1 BILLS ON SECOND READING - 980895

2 Bill No. 980901.

3 MS. RAFFERTY: An ordinance amending
4 the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the
5 zoning designations of certain areas of land
6 located in the 57th Ward within an area bounded by
7 Grant Avenue, Academy Road, Holme Avenue, Willits
8 Road, a railroad right-of-way, and Blue Grass
9 Road.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The clerk
11 will please call the roll.

12 MS. RAFFERTY: Councilwoman Blackwell?

13 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

14 MS. RAFFERTY: Councilwoman Clark?

15 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Aye.

16 MS. RAFFERTY: Councilman Cohen?

17 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

18 MS. RAFFERTY: Councilman DiCicco?

19 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

20 MS. RAFFERTY: Councilman Kenney is
21 voting aye.

22 Councilwoman Krajewski?

23 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

24 MS. RAFFERTY: Councilman Longstreth?

25 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.

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2 MS. RAFFERTY: Councilman Mariano?

3 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

4 MS. RAFFERTY: Councilwoman Miller?

5 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.

6 MS. RAFFERTY: Councilman Nutter?

7 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.

8 MS. RAFFERTY: Councilman O'Neill?

9 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.

10 MS. RAFFERTY: Councilman Ortiz?

11 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.

12 MS. RAFFERTY: Councilman Rizzo?

13 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

14 MS. RAFFERTY: Councilwoman Tasco?

15 (Councilwoman Tasco not present.)

16 MS. RAFFERTY: Council President

17 Verna?

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

19 The ayes are 14, the nays are 0. A

20 majority of all members of Council having voted in

21 the affirmative, the bill passes.

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23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Are there any

24 speeches on the part of the Minority?

25 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Madam Chair?

1 BILLS ON SECOND READING - 980901

2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
3 recognizes Councilwoman Clark.

4 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Madam President,
5 we have just been joined in the chambers by a
6 class from the Steel Elementary School, and they
7 are these young people along here.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Please
9 stand. We would love to recognize you.

10 (Applause.)

11 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Thank you.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you,
13 Councilwoman.

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15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Are there
16 speeches on the part of majority? The Chair
17 recognizes Councilman Ortiz.

18 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Thank you, Madam
19 Chair.

20 This week Mayor Rendell wrote a very
21 thoughtful letter to the citizens of Philadelphia
22 about welfare reform and what was lacking and the
23 problems with the current welfare reform law. And
24 he detailed in that letter the problems that the
25 welfare reform law had from housing to foster

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2 care, health care, transportation to school, day
3 care, and what the cost it would be to the City.

4 Now, it seems like Governor Ridge took
5 offense to the letter, and he wrote a similarly
6 lengthy response to Mayor Rendell, except that it
7 was not a response to the issues; it was merely,
8 as The Daily News editorial page today says and
9 describes it, as responsive but that he didn't
10 address the specific charges that Rendell urged.
11 Instead, he repeated slogans about values and the
12 dignity and honor of work.

13 Each and every one of us understands
14 that no one likes to be on welfare. Each and
15 everyone understands that the families that are on
16 welfare would really rather be working, earning a
17 check, bringing home the food, a check, and a job
18 that pays a living wage.

19 The letter that the governor writes at
20 times is insulting. It goes back to the Regan
21 years of trying to bring up those charges that
22 people on welfare were lazy and didn't want to
23 work.

24 Each and every one of us is for welfare
25 reform, but each one of us is for welfare reform

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2 that makes sense. Training, education, and jobs
3 -- and jobs that pay a living wage. None of these
4 three things are available right now.

5 To just say that welfare reform is
6 working because numbers are going down is not to
7 say where those people are ending up. And to have
8 a \$29 million surplus and not using that surplus
9 for training, transportation, education, and job
10 creation seems to me to be a sin in this time and
11 age.

12 We need welfare reform, but we need
13 welfare reform that makes sense, that is humane,
14 and that's not only just Right Wing sloganeering
15 from the governor of this State.

16 Thank you, Madam Chair.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

18 The Chair recognizes Councilman
19 DiCicco.

20 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Thank you, Madam
21 President.

22 I just would like to take this time to
23 remind my colleagues if they have not yet Clarena
24 Tolson of the Streets Department the streets in
25 their respective district that they want to have

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2 as part of the on-street sweeping project, that
3 they should do so by the end of the day tomorrow
4 at the very latest, 'cause the Streets Department
5 would like to get that project up and running by
6 the end of this month.

7 Thank you.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

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

11 (No speeches on the part of the
12 Majority.)

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Seeing none,
14 the Chair recognizes Councilwoman Clark.

15 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Madam President, I
16 move that Council stand adjourned until March the
17 19th?

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: That's the
19 18th.

20 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: March the 18th,
21 1999.

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

24 (Duly seconded.)

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It's been

ADJOURNMENT

All in favor will signify by saying
aye.

The ayes have it. Council will stand
adjourned until Thursday, March 18, 1999.

(Adjourned at 11:00 a.m.)

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C E R T I F I C A T E

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing
proceedings of the Council of the City of
Philadelphia of Thursday, March 11, 1999, were
reported fully and accurately by me, and that this
is a correct transcript of same.

RE: STATED MEETING

_____,
JOSEPHINE CARDILLO,
Registered Professional Reporter