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COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA

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STATED MEETING

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Thursday, May 7, 1998

11:22 a.m.

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Room 400, City Hall

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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10 PRESENT: COUNCIL PRESIDENT JOHN F. STREET

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COUNCILWOMAN JANNIE BLACKWELL

COUNCILMAN DAVID COHEN

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COUNCILWOMAN JOAN L. KRAJEWSKI

COUNCILWOMAN ANNA CIBOTTA VERNA

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COUNCILMAN JAMES F. KENNEY

COUNCILWOMAN DONNA REED MILLER

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COUNCILMAN MICHAEL A. NUTTER

COUNCILWOMAN HAPPY FERNANDEZ

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COUNCILWOMAN MARIAN B. TASCO

COUNCILMAN ANGEL L. ORTIZ

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COUNCILMAN FRANK DICICCO

COUNCILMAN BRIAN J. O'NEILL

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COUNCILMAN RICHARD T. MARIANO

COUNCILMAN W. THACHER LONGSTRETH

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COUNCILMAN FRANK RIZZO

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MARIE B. HAUSER, Chief Clerk

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

3 PRESIDENT STREET: Good morning, ladies
4 and gentlemen. The Chair notes that the hour has
5 come and that a quorum is present. Council will
6 come to order. Members will take their seats,
7 visitors will retire to their seats outside the
8 rail.

9 To give our invocation this morning,
10 the Chair welcomes Councilman W. Thacher
11 Longstreth. Members and guests will please rise.

12 (Applause.)

13 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: How sweet it
14 is. The question is, Will you love me in
15 September as you do in May?

16 (Laughter.)

17 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: It is my honor
18 today to offer the prayer with which we start
19 Council each Thursday. And I wanted to put in
20 just a couple of extraneous remarks before I get
21 into the formal part of my presentation.

22 I once played basketball, as you might
23 suspect, on the Haverford school team, where I was
24 the seventh man. I was the seventh man who only
25 got a chance to play when we were either so far

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2 ahead that we could lose, or so far behind that no
3 one cared.

4 (Laughter.)

5 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: And so ended
6 the season. We were undefeated, so I got a chance
7 to play very little, indeed.

8 I've had a somewhat similar experience
9 during my 20 years in Council. And to be given an
10 opportunity to address this large, enthusiastic
11 crowd is a privilege beyond belief. In my own
12 way, I'm so nervous and so at a loss for words,
13 that I'm going to turn, in my desperation, to a
14 Quaker prayer.

15 I am a Quaker. My family has been
16 eighth generation -- we're eighth-generation
17 Philadelphia Quakers. And we have a rather unique
18 way of putting on our points when we wish to
19 engage in some form of religious discussion.

20 This morning, I am going to give the
21 Quaker prayer of silence since, it seems to me,
22 that with all of the verbiage that has taken place
23 in these halls over the years, that this would not
24 be an improper way for us to communicate each in
25 turn with own God.

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2 So for about 60 seconds, I will stand
3 here in front of you, praying, as you will be
4 praying, that this body where we are now will
5 always do the right thing, and praying that all of
6 you may enjoy the mercy and love of almighty God.

7 (Brief pause for silence.)

8 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Thank you.

9 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair thanks
10 Councilman Longstreth for his inspiring
11 invocation.

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13 PRESIDENT STREET: Our next order of
14 business is the approval of the journal of the
15 meeting of Thursday, April 30, 1998.

16 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
17 Verna.

18 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: Thank you, Mr.
19 President.

20 I move that the journal of April the
21 30th, 1998 stands approved.

22 (Duly seconded.)

23 PRESIDENT STREET: All those in favor,
24 let it be known by saying aye.

25 Those opposed, say nay.

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2 The ayes have it. The journal of the
3 meeting of Thursday, April 30, 1998, stands
4 approved.

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6 PRESIDENT STREET: The next order of
7 business is leaves of absence.

8 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
9 Verna.

10 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: Thank you, Mr.
11 President.

12 A leave of absence is requested for
13 Councilwoman Clark.

14 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair thanks the
15 Councilwoman. Leave will be granted.

16 The Chair recognizes Councilman
17 O'Neill.

18 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Mr. President, no
19 leave of absence is requested for the Republicans.

20 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair thanks the
21 Councilman.

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23 PRESIDENT STREET: At this time, we
24 will dispense with our regular order of business
25 to recognize visitors.

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2 To all of our visitors and guests with
3 us this morning, the Chair welcomes you here and
4 applauds your interests in the civic affairs of
5 our City, and certainly invite you to come again.

6 At this time, the Chair recognizes
7 Councilman Rizzo for the purpose of introducing a
8 visiting guest.

9 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Thank you, Mr.
10 President.

11 Mr. President, with us today is Keaton
12 Kovach, and he's here with his dad, Kevin. And
13 Keaton's a student in Springfield Elementary.
14 That's in upper Bucks County. And I'd like to
15 welcome Keaton and his dad. Kevin.

16 (Applause.)

17 PRESIDENT STREET: At this time, our
18 first presentation honors Senator Hardy Williams.
19 To make this presentation, the Chair appoints
20 Councilwoman Blackwell and Councilwoman Verna.

21 The Chair invites Senator Williams and
22 those with him to receive this resolution.

23 (Applause.)

24 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: Only Senator
25 Williams could get a crowd like this to come to

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2 his presentation.

3 (Laughter.)

4 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Let me
5 certainly also welcome Senator Williams to be --
6 that's State Representative Anthony Hardy
7 Williams.

8 (Applause.)

9 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: And Mr. Fred
10 Williams.

11 (Applause.)

12 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: A brother of
13 the Senator.

14 And also mom, Francis Williams, whom we
15 all know and love as well as.

16 (Applause.)

17 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: We also have
18 with us Joe Harvey, who all of you know from the
19 old PAC days. And he's been with the Senator
20 before and since.

21 So we welcome all of you and thank you
22 for allowing us to have this honor to present a
23 resolution to someone whom we love and respect,
24 and whom all of us would not be here -- so many of
25 us not be here had it not been for his leadership

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2 and his willingness to be an independent person to
3 fight many, many years ago.

4 With that, let me read the City of
5 Philadelphia citation honoring and commending
6 Senator Hardy Williams on the occasion of his
7 retirement from the Pennsylvania State Senate.

8 Whereas Hardy Williams was born and
9 reared in West Philadelphia. He showed promise
10 early in life as an honor student at West
11 Philadelphia High School, and Penn State
12 University, where he was the first
13 African-American player and team captain on the
14 school's championship basketball team; and

15 Whereas Hardy Williams served as a
16 first lieutenant the Korean conflict. He received
17 a doctorate of jurisprudence from the University
18 of Pennsylvania; and

19 Whereas known as the "Father of Black
20 Independent Political Movement," Hardy Williams
21 served five terms in the Pennsylvania House. He
22 organized the Legislative Black Caucus. And in
23 1982, he was elected to his first term in the
24 Pennsylvania Senate where he has served in a
25 dedicated as Chair of the Senate Public Health and

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2 Welfare Committee. The Senator has also served as
3 member of the Urban Affairs and Housing Committee,
4 Appropriations, Local Government, and the
5 Judiciary Committees; and

6 COUNCILWOMAN Verna: Whereas Senator
7 Williams has been a champion of society's most
8 vulnerable members. His proudest legislative
9 achievement was the enactment of a bill providing
10 that all children are legitimate, including those
11 born out of wedlock; and

12 Whereas the Crisis Intervention Network
13 Black Family Services, Inc., Blacks Networking are
14 Progress, Inc., the Delaware Valley Ecumenical
15 Council, African-American Delaware Port
16 Corporation, Urban Economic Strategies Task Force,
17 8th District AIDS Task Force, and the Organized
18 Anti-crime Community Network are just a few of the
19 organizations that he has been involved with.

20 Therefore, resolved by the Council of
21 the City of Philadelphia that we hereby
22 congratulate, honor, and commend State Senator
23 Hardy Williams on a distinguished career as one of
24 Philadelphia's most prominent elected Black
25 officials.

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2 He has served proudly and effectively
3 in the Pennsylvania House and Senate, representing
4 the interests of senior citizens, youth, and the
5 needy -- society's most vulnerable citizen.

6 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Resolved that
7 an engrossed copy of this resolution be presented
8 to State Senator Hardy Williams, further
9 evidencing the respect, love, admiration, and
10 appreciation of this legislative body.

11 To this distinguished gentleman and
12 great humanitarian, we extend our best wishes for
13 a retirement that is happy, healthy, and
14 rewarding, and that he has certainly earned.

15 Thank you.

16 (Standing ovation.)

17 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair recognizes
18 Senator Williams.

19 SENATOR WILLIAMS: Thank you, Mr.
20 President and Councilwoman Vern, Councilwoman
21 Blackwell, both of whom I love dearly and have
22 spent a number of years knowing, so that when I
23 speak --

24 Mom, would you please step up. Don't
25 know why you're leaving me now.

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2 (Laughter.)

3 SENATOR WILLIAMS: It was my mom that
4 got me into all of this.

5 PRESIDENT STREET: Get her a chair.

6 Senator WILLIAMS: The only reason I
7 got elected was because she knew everybody in the
8 City.

9 But frankly, Mom, I just wanted to wish
10 you a happy Mother's Day ahead of time. So --

11 (Applause.)

12 SENATOR WILLIAMS: It does say to honor
13 thy mother and thy father, and to listen to the
14 instruction of thy father and not depart from the
15 lessons of thy mother.

16 And so you'd do me a great honor -- you
17 would honor me if you would stay and wish my
18 mother, now going on her 87th year, a happy
19 Mother's Day. I would certainly appreciate that.

20 (Applause.)

21 SENATOR WILLIAMS: Thank you. Thank
22 you.

23 (Standing ovation.)

24 SENATOR WILLIAMS: I do not wish to
25 prolong these proceedings, but I have been a very

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2 lucky man since my childhood. There are two
3 punctuations in my career, and both were my
4 retirements.

5 I was in a down-period where no one
6 wanted to elect Hardy Williams, and I was really
7 low. So I helped my mother get the recognition
8 that she got, and that was a Citywide birthday
9 party or something because it was just so great to
10 be able to recognize my mother as I knew I was
11 finished my career.

12 But as God had it, I had more to do,
13 and I'm retiring again. And she works eight and a
14 half hours every day, no pay in cash, and she does
15 it.

16 And so it's a real pleasure for me to
17 arrive at this point in my life and be given this
18 honor. And she's here, and that means a lot to me
19 no matter what.

20 Finally, just let me say that not many
21 people get witness to a dream of a young poor boy
22 who happened to have gone to the Wilson School,
23 mostly all black teachers. And, buddy, they
24 taught you. You may be poor, you may be this or
25 that, but you left that school, you had a

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2 function.

3 And I'm just saying that I also did go
4 to Cheyney University four years. That was left
5 out -- I wanted that to be said.

6 But I had dreams and uncertainties and
7 fears, all of that -- in the gang, all of that.
8 Somewhere along the line and through the schooling
9 was this scene, Mr. President. I'm talking about
10 America, I'm talking about where you bring your
11 problems, and where you hash it out. Well, this
12 is my dream, and I've enjoyed it.

13 And for to you join with the Council
14 today in saying something nice about me, I deeply
15 appreciate that. I have lived my dream and I
16 thank you for coming here today to witness it.

17 Now, I know the crowd is an extra crowd
18 today, largely due to the fact that you knew I was
19 going to bring my mother. But I just wanted to
20 say that here is the place and here is the time
21 for us to debate the issues that come before us as
22 men and women all born under --

23 Mom's nudging me to not legislate, so I
24 just want to sit down and end by saying thank you
25 very much.

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2 (Standing ovation.)

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4 PRESIDENT STREET: At this time, the
5 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell, who will
6 be standing in for Councilwoman Clark, who, most
7 of you know, is not with us today. She had a
8 death in the family. Her mother passed.

9 But Council Blackwell will introduce
10 the three winners of the African-American
11 Oratorical Contest, who will share those winning
12 speeches with us today.

13 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
14 Blackwell.

15 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you, Mr.
16 President.

17 I'm certainly honored to read the names
18 and congratulate the winners. This is an annual
19 affair, as you mentioned, that Councilwoman Clark
20 takes great pride in. We regret that due to her
21 mother's passing, she is not here today.

22 I will read the names of the first-,
23 second-, third-, and fourth-place winners. And,
24 of course, the first-place winners will read their
25 oratories.

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2 The elementary-level Citywide winners,
3 grades 4, 5 and 6, are:

4 1st Place - \$1,000 bond and computer -
5 to Dominica Bridges, Lamberton School, Grade 6,
6 Overbrook Cluster.

7 2nd Place - \$500 bond - Allona Holland,
8 Blaine School, 6th Grade, Strawberry Mansion
9 Cluster.

10 3rd place -- I'm sorry. Would all of
11 you please stand as I read your names.

12 (Winning students stand as their names
13 are read.)

14 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: 3rd Place -
15 \$200 bond - NiKiesha Dorsey, Shawmont School,
16 Grade 4, Roxborough Cluster.

17 4th Place - \$100 bond - Kojo Marfo,
18 Pepper School, Grade 6, Bartram Cluster.

19 Middle-level Citywide winners - Grades
20 7, 8, 9:

21 1st Place Winner - \$1,000 bond and
22 computer - Maya McGeathey, GAMP, Grade 9, South
23 Philadelphia Cluster.

24 2nd Place - \$500 bond - Raymond Lynn,
25 Beeber School, Grade 7, Overbrook Cluster.

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2 3rd Place - \$200 bond - Carmen Rosa,
3 Carver High School, Grade 9, William Penn Cluster.

4 4th Place - \$100 bond - Janelle
5 Kennedy, Dobson School, Grade 8, Roxborough
6 Cluster.

7 And, finally, the upper-level Citywide
8 winners - Grade 10, 11, and 12:

9 1st place - \$1,000 bond and WDAS-
10 sponsored trip to Africa - Jamilia Hicks, CAPA
11 School, Grade 11, Furness Cluster.

12 2nd Place - \$500 bond - Sabriah Bilal,
13 Parkway Northwest, Grade 12, West Philadelphia
14 Cluster.

15 3rd Place - \$200 bond - Courtney
16 Richardson, Girls High, Grade 11, Germantown
17 Cluster.

18 And, finally, 4th Place - \$100 bond -
19 Bereniece Mulubah, Gratz High School, Grade 12,
20 Gratz Cluster.

21 So we will now ask that the first-place
22 winners of each category -- elementary, then
23 middle, then upper school -- would come and
24 certainly make your presentation.

25 Thank you, Mr. President.

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2 (Applause.)

3 (Dominica Bridges comes forward.)

4 MISS BRIDGES: Good morning, ladies and
5 gentlemen. My name is Dominica Bridges. I'm a
6 6th-grade student at Robert E. Lamberton School.
7 The title of my oratorical speech is called "Keep
8 Your Eyes on the Prize."

9 Now more so than ever, we must begin to
10 set goals for ourselves in order to reach our
11 prize. African-Americans of today and in the past
12 reached their prize through hard work and
13 education. Many of them now are our teachers,
14 lawyers, doctors, and entrepreneurs.

15 The materials for success are all
16 around us, and we must take advantage of them
17 while seeking our prize. We must use self-
18 discipline, respect, and be as ambitious as our
19 ancestors were when they were fighting for
20 freedom, equality, and the right to vote.

21 That's why it's as important for us to
22 decide if we are going to be an asset or a
23 liability to our communities.

24 If we are to be an asset, we must map
25 out our futures and nurture our minds to envision

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2 ourselves really fulfilling our career choices.

3 In doing so, let the spirits of our ancestors

4 guide us to the fruits of hard labor.

5 For it was Dr. Melana Karenga (ph.) who

6 said, "We are heir and custodian of a great

7 legacy, and we must bear the burden and glory of

8 that legacy with strength, dignity, and

9 determination."

10 We must seek in that identity a chance

11 for challenge, rather than sadness. We must first

12 decide what path we choose to take. The

13 blueprints for our goals can be parallel to that

14 of a famous person, a respected relative, and

15 people from our communities who have beat the odds

16 and succeeded at doing something positive for

17 themselves and for their communities despite the

18 opposition.

19 Our road maps to success must be

20 organized and thoroughly investigated. We must

21 choose our cheerleaders very carefully, for they

22 will be on our sidelines, cheering us on to our

23 victories.

24 Many negative forces will try and

25 destroy the various routes on your map as you

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2 progress. Therefore, take time to view and praise
3 the accomplishments you have reached thus far.
4 Don't get sidetracked by your peers who do not
5 have thoughts of visible dreams. Take control of
6 your environment by not letting those negative
7 forces take control of you.

8 Dr. Benjamin E. Mays said it best when
9 he wrote, "It is not your environment, it is you,
10 the quality of your mind, the integrity of your
11 soul, the determination of your will. That will
12 decide your future and shape your life."

13 Taking a glance at our past 400 years
14 ago, our people were hunted down in Africa and
15 forced into slavery. Millions of our ancestors
16 took a ride to America, laying flat on their
17 backs, side by side.

18 But today, we march here in America
19 side by side at the request of our brothers and
20 sisters to answer the roll call of one million men
21 and one million woman, strong, taking a pledge of
22 helping mankind, humankind, our kind, at all
23 times.

24 As we move forward into the next
25 millennium, let's recall and embrace the

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2 contributions that African-Americans have made to
3 society. Let's take the courage of Harriet
4 Tubman, the faith of Fredrick Douglas, the
5 imagination of Paul Lawrence Dunbar, the hope of
6 Jessie Jackson, the love of Dr. Martin Luther
7 King, the thirst of Mary McCloud Methune (ph.) and
8 the determination of Dr. Betty Shabazz, as tools
9 to reach our prize.

10 I thank you.

11 (Standing ovation.)

12 (Maya McGeathey comes forward.)

13 MISS MCGEATHEY: Good morning, ladies
14 and gentlemen. My name is Maya Shendell
15 McGeathey. I am a 9th-grade student attending the
16 Girard Academic Program. Title of my oration is
17 "In the Spirit."

18 The survival of our ancestors who lived
19 through the middle passage and through the horrors
20 of slavery is a story of the triumph of the
21 spirit, the power of the divine.

22 These are the words written by author
23 and editor of Essence Magazine, Susan Teller.
24 Teller's quote stresses the importance of the
25 African-American spirits.

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2 This spirit has been giving our culture
3 faith, encouragement, and strength for over 400
4 years. This spirit has allowed African-Americans
5 to withstand all manifestations of oppression,
6 whether it was the middle passage, slavery,
7 mistreatment, Jim Crow laws, or the noncompliance
8 to affirmative-active legislature.

9 This spirit endowed Harriet Tubman with
10 the courage to lead over 700 slaves to freedom.
11 It provided Mary McCloud Methune the will to
12 receive and give education. It empowered Dr.
13 Martin Luther King, Jr. to boldly speak for the
14 justice of African-Americans.

15 This is the spirit that inspired poet
16 Maya Angelou to write, "Out of the huts of history
17 shame, up from the past that's rooted in pain, I
18 am a black ocean leaping and wide, welling and
19 swelling, I bear in the tide."

20 The spirit motivated the late Roxanne
21 Jones to represent her people for many years in
22 State legislature. It convinced one million
23 African-American men to pledge themselves to the
24 betterment of their community and over one million
25 African-American women to take a similar stand.

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2 Our indomitable spirit has remained
3 strong as we have made the traditions of a people
4 who were African kings and queens chattel property
5 of a slave-owner to people who are and continue to
6 be great contributors to the American society.

7 It is our spirit and faith that
8 determine whether we as African-Americans as well
9 as African-American businesses, churches,
10 educational institutions, and culture will
11 continue to flourish into the 21st century.

12 In order to maintain our spirits, we
13 must never abandon our heritage. We should
14 remember the words of Fannie Lou Hamer (ph.) who
15 said, and I quote, There are two things all of you
16 must care about -- never to forget where came from
17 and always praise the bridges that carried us
18 over.

19 We must not allow the pigmentation of
20 our skin to be a reason for exclusion from
21 opportunities that we well deserve. We must
22 maintain the strength of our spirits and remember
23 the words of Mary McCloud Methune, who said, Use
24 your blackness as a challenge, not an excuse.

25 We cannot refer to or depend upon

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2 statistics or polls as the determinating factor of
3 whether or not we will succeed in the 21st
4 century. We must heed the encouragement of our
5 inner spirits and be mindful of the of Dr.
6 Benjamin E. Mays, who asserted, It is not your
7 environment; it is the quality of your mind, the
8 integrity of your soul, and the determination of
9 your will that will decide your future and your
10 lives.

11 My people, our spirit is our support.
12 It is the rope that is bound to the top of the
13 mountain and reassures us that we are safe as long
14 as we hold on to it. All of our life is spent in
15 climbing this mountain.

16 When we allow racism to possess our
17 minds and souls, when we permit setbacks to lead
18 us to our failure, we are abandoning our spirits.
19 We must keep these inspirational words of Inyalla
20 Van Zam (ph.) foremost in our hearts and our
21 minds: The wealth of our spirits is the lights of
22 the world.

23 My brothers and sisters, I admonish you
24 to live, walk, talk, and stay truly in the spirit.

25 Thank you.

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2 (Standing ovation.)

3 (Jamalia Hicks comes forward.)

4 MISS HICKS: Good morning, ladies and
5 gentlemen. My name is Jamalia Hicks, and I attend
6 the High School for Creative and Performing Arts.
7 The title of my oration is "AIDS."

8 I have just been sent here by the
9 Department of Health and Human Services to inform
10 you that you have been just been tested for a
11 virus that may prove to be more dangerous and
12 deadly than any other epidemic that has hit the
13 African-American community.

14 This virus has taken the place of the
15 chains and shackles that held our ancestors in
16 check for over 400 years. Instead of caging our
17 minds, instead of caging our hands and our feet,
18 it unconsciously implants the feeling of
19 dependency on White society for better jobs,
20 education, and social environments. This virus
21 has become so widespread that it is almost
22 impossible to tell the infected from the healthy.

23 The virus that I am speaking about is
24 none other than AIDS.

25 Now, I'm not talking about the virus

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2 that attacks the human immune system, despite a
3 person's race color or gender, no. This virus is
4 very specific. It is infects only
5 African-Americans, and its name stands for
6 assimilation, integration, desegregation, and
7 separation -- the four words that have brought the
8 Black community to its knees.

9 Now, in order to understand this
10 virus's devastating effect on the Black community,
11 you must first learn to appreciate the words that
12 make up its name.

13 The most horrible symptom of this virus
14 is none other than assimilation. You see,
15 assimilation creates a feeling of self-hatred in
16 the infected African-American, 'cause in order for
17 a Black person to assimilate into White society,
18 they must think, act, and talk like their White
19 counterparts. In other words, they must deny the
20 very thing that makes them who they are, their
21 rich history, and heritage.

22 Integration, a word that has given the
23 Black community a full sense of security. It has
24 infected us with the mentality that the war
25 between the races is almost over. Yes, we are

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2 allowed to go to schools with White children, but
3 I ask you, what good is this when our youth live
4 here in the City, and White schools are in the
5 suburbs?

6 Integration was put out as a quick fix
7 for the inequality of funding between Black
8 schools and White schools. Instead of creating a
9 budget that could support both schools' financial
10 obligations, we were given the ability to go to
11 schools that had top-of-the-line books and
12 equipment, which was then, and still is now,
13 predominantly White schools.

14 Integration was like trying to put a
15 Band-Aid on a bullet wound. It was too small and
16 unsatisfactory for the size and seriousness of the
17 wound.

18 Now, here's an interesting word:
19 Desegregation. The problem with desegregation was
20 not desegregation itself, but the attitude of
21 Black America after it was achieved. What I mean
22 is that after desegregation, so many
23 African-Americans felt that they had formed this
24 ultimate form of equality with Whites, forgetting
25 that desegregation was merely a step towards our

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2 goal, where all people are created equal, despite
3 their race or color.

4 Instead of using desegregation, we have
5 let it stop us from sticking our necks out. So
6 many Black people no longer see the need for
7 putting themselves or their jobs at risk by
8 speaking out against the racism that plagues our
9 lives.

10 The desire to maintain the little that
11 we have has made us turn on each other and
12 contract the last symptom and most deadly of this
13 disease -- separation. Because, you see, my
14 people, in our race to assimilate or to maintain
15 the petty possessions we have achieved, we have
16 separated ourselves from each other.

17 We despise the voice of the Black youth
18 calling for help through, quote/unquote, gangsta
19 rap. They scream out their rage and their
20 hopelessness, and we comfort our deaf ears with
21 the thought that they would have grown up to be
22 nothing more than a bunch of gun-toting junkies
23 anyway.

24 How many of us walk by the homeless and
25 their empty cups, thinking only that they are

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2 polluting our air with their stench. We don't
3 even look twice at the child on the corner because
4 he isn't anything but a chalk outline waiting to
5 happen.

6 We have lost the understanding that
7 from the homeless person to the millionaire, from
8 the child on the corner to the child that sits
9 across from you at the dinner table, we are all
10 connected. We are all one body despite our
11 material possessions.

12 We find ourselves dying in a world of
13 economic distress, partly because we failed to
14 support our Black businesses, as we should. We
15 complain of possibly paying five or ten cents
16 more; yet how many of us take pride in purchasing
17 Tommy Hilfiger, Nautica or Ralph Lauren garments
18 that have a 100 to 150 percent markup? That five
19 our ten cents extra is likely to be revisited in
20 our communities to support our cause.

21 My people, this virus is making us tear
22 away at the foundations of our communities. We
23 must find a cure or we will destroy the
24 cornerstone upon which we have built our worlds.
25 The cure for this deadly and dangerous virus is

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2 not found in moving to the suburbs. It cannot be
3 found in some beautifully upholstered office in
4 the White House. No, this cure lies here, in you
5 and me, in all of us together.

6 It is time to eradicate that which is
7 out to destroy us -- AIDS, the virus of self-hate,
8 hopelessness, and apathy. Its cure lies within
9 this room. And we must find it, or we will
10 all. . . perish.

11 Thank you.

12 (Standing ovation.)

13 PRESIDENT STREET: I think it's the
14 tradition to take photographs with the awardees.
15 At this time, Council will stand at ease.

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17 PRESIDENT STREET: The next order of
18 business is communications.

19 The Chair recognizes the
20 Sergeant-At-Arms for the purpose of delivering the
21 messages from the Mayor to the Chief Clerk.

22 (Sergeant-At-Arms delivers messages
23 from the Mayor to the Chief Clerk.)

24 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chief Clerk will
25 read the messages from the Mayor.

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2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: May 4, 1998, to
3 the President and Members of the Council of the
4 City of Philadelphia, I am pleased to advise you
5 that I have today signed the following bill, which
6 was passed by Council at its session, on April 30,
7 1998, Bill No. 980234.

8 An ordinance authorizing the
9 Commissioner of Public Property and the Director
10 of Commerce, on behalf of the City, to amend a
11 certain lease agreement dated May 1, 1976, between
12 the City and the Redevelopment Authority of the
13 City of Philadelphia ("RDA") wherein the City
14 leases to the RDA for further sublease to the
15 Penns Landing Corporation all that certain parcel
16 of land known as "Penns Landing Stage I."

17 And an ordinance amending Sections
18 13-101 and 13-201 of The Philadelphia Code
19 relating to standards pursuant to which the Water
20 Department fixes and regulates rates and charges
21 for supplying water and sewage disposal services
22 by further specifying the special rates and
23 charges that are to be established for properties
24 owned by the Philadelphia Housing Authority.

25 And an ordinance authorizing the

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2 Streets Commissioner, on behalf of the City, to
3 execute an intergovernmental agreement for a
4 Southeast Pennsylvania Regional Household
5 Hazardous Waste Education Collection and
6 Management project, under certain terms and
7 conditions.

8 And an ordinance declaring it desirable
9 for the health, safety, and welfare of the people
10 served by Greater Philadelphia Health Services II
11 Corporation, a nonprofit corporation, organized
12 under the laws of the Commonwealth of
13 Pennsylvania, which operates a long-term care
14 facility, known as Northwood Nursing and
15 Convalescent Center.

16 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chief Clerk will
17 read any other communications in her possession.

18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: I have none, Mr.
19 President.

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21 PRESIDENT STREET: The next order of
22 business is the introduction of bills and
23 resolutions.

24 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
25 Blackwell.

1 STATED MEETING - INTRO. OF BILLS, RESOLUTIONS

2 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Mr. President,
3 I have three bills and one resolution.

4 And may I note that the resolution is
5 signed by every Member of Council, save
6 Councilwoman Clark, who is out, and it is
7 cosponsored by Councilman Cohen, Ortiz,
8 Councilwoman Fernandez, and Councilwoman Miller.

9 PRESIDENT STREET: The Clerk will
10 please read the titles of the bills.

11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
12 granting permission to the trustees of the
13 University of Pennsylvania to construct, own
14 energize, maintain, operate, replace, and remove
15 the poles, electric conduit, and appurtenances for
16 pedestrian lights within the public right-of-way
17 and City streets to illuminate public right-of-way
18 adjacent to the area bounded by Walnut Street,
19 36th Street, 37th Street, and the former Sansom
20 Street.

21 And an ordinance granting permission to
22 the trustees of the University of Pennsylvania to
23 construct, own, energize, maintain, operate,
24 replace, and remove poles, electrical conduit, and
25 appurtenances for pedestrian lights within the

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2 public right-of-way and City streets to illuminate
3 the public right-of-way adjacent to the area
4 bounded by Walnut Street 34th Street, 38th Street,
5 and Chestnut Street, the Sansom Commons Phase III.

6 And an ordinance granting permission to
7 the trustees of the University of Pennsylvania to
8 construct, own, energize, maintain, operate,
9 replace, and remove poles, electrical conduit, and
10 appurtenances for pedestrian lights within the
11 public right-of-way and City streets to illuminate
12 the public right-of-way adjacent to the area
13 bounded by Chestnut Street, 36th Street, 37th
14 Street, and Walnut Street, Sansom Commons Phase
15 II, all under certain terms and conditions.

16 PRESIDENT STREET: These bills will be
17 referred to the appropriate committee.

18 The Clerk will please read the title of
19 the resolution introduced by Councilwoman
20 Blackwell.

21 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
22 calling on the City Council Committee on Education
23 to hold immediate public hearings to discuss the
24 proposed State takeover of the Philadelphia School
25 District, and how it affects approximately 217,000

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2 public school students.

3 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair recognizes
4 Councilwoman Blackwell.

5 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Mr. President,
6 I move the adoption of the resolution.

7 (Duly seconded.)

8 PRESIDENT STREET: All those in favor,
9 let it be known by saying aye.

10 Those opposed, say nay.

11 The ayes have it. The resolution is
12 adopted.

13 The Chair recognizes Councilman Cohen.

14 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Mr. President, I
15 have no bills or resolutions.

16 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair thanks the
17 Councilman.

18 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
19 Krajewski.

20 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Mr. President,
21 I have no bills or resolutions.

22 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair thanks
23 Councilwoman Krajewski.

24 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
25 Verna.

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2 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: Thank you, Mr.

3 President.

4 I offer four bills by request, one
5 resolution on behalf of Councilwoman Clark, six
6 bills, and one resolution on your behalf.

7 PRESIDENT STREET: The Clerk will
8 please read the titles of the bills.

9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
10 authorizing the Streets Commissioner, on behalf of
11 the City, to execute an intergovernmental
12 agreement for a Southeast Pennsylvania Regional
13 Household Hazardous Waste Education Collection and
14 Management project, under certain terms and
15 conditions.

16 And an ordinance amending Section
17 13-101 and 13-201 of the Philadelphia Code
18 relating to the standards pursuant to which the
19 Water Department fixes and regulates rates and
20 charges for supplying water and sewage disposal
21 services by further specifying the special rates
22 and charges that are to be established for
23 properties owned by the Philadelphia Housing
24 Authority.

25 And an ordinance amending an ordinance

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2 approved May 9, 1997, Bill No. 970168, which
3 authorizes the City to sell certain delinquent
4 real estate tax claims, identified on Exhibit A to
5 the ordinance, to the Philadelphia Authority for
6 Industrial Development ("PAID") by adding to
7 Exhibit A certain tax claims which were the
8 subject of now defaulted payment plan agreements
9 entered into by the taxpayers in May and June,
10 1997.

11 And an ordinance amending an ordinance
12 approved May 9, 1997, Bill No. 970168, which
13 authorized the City to sell certain delinquent
14 real estate tax claims, identified on Exhibit A to
15 the ordinance, to the Philadelphia Authority for
16 Industrial Development ("PAID") by adding to
17 Exhibit A certain 1997 delinquent real estate tax
18 claims which affect the same properties affected
19 by the tax claims sold to PAID for the sole
20 purpose of allowing the additional claims to be
21 available for substitution for sold claims
22 pursuant to the terms of June 30, 1997 tax claims
23 purchase and sales agreement between the City and
24 PAID.

25 And an ordinance authorizing the

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2 Commissioner of Public Property and the Director
3 of Commerce, on behalf of the City, to amend a
4 certain lease agreement dated May 1, 19976, as
5 amended between the City and the Redevelopment
6 Authority of the City of Philadelphia ("RDA")
7 wherein the City leased to the RDA for further
8 sublease to Penns Landing Corporation all that
9 certain parcel of land known as "Penns Landing
10 Stage I" by adding to the lease premises certain
11 additional land continuing approximately 2.417
12 acres, more or less.

13 And an ordinance relating to benefits
14 provided to City employees, in particular amending
15 Chapters 20-300 of The Philadelphia Code entitled
16 "Compensation" by adding provisions relating to
17 the provision of health and other benefits to City
18 employees and to other persons to be designated by
19 City employees, and amending the retirement system
20 ordinance approved December 3, 1956, as amended,
21 and amending the Municipal Retirement Benefit Plan
22 1987 Ordinance, which became effective January 8,
23 1987, as amended, by, in the case of both
24 retirement ordinances, amending sections related
25 to the designation of survivor and beneficiaries.

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2 And an ordinance authorizing the
3 revision of lines and grades on a portion of City
4 Plan No. 123 by striking from the City Plan and
5 vacating Watts Street from Susquehanna Avenue to
6 Diamond Street, by reserving and placing on the
7 City Plan certain rights-of-way for drainage
8 purposes.

9 And an ordinance authorizing the
10 University of Pennsylvania to construct and
11 maintain an electrified marquee attached to the
12 property 2010 through 12 Sansom Street and
13 projecting over the south footway of Sansom
14 Street, under certain terms and conditions.

15 And an ordinance authorizing the
16 revision of lines grades on a portion of City Plan
17 No. 308 by striking from the City Plan and
18 vacating Rosewood Street from Spruce Street to
19 Delancey Street.

20 And an ordinance granting permission to
21 IXC Carrier, Inc., a Nevada corporation registered
22 to do business in Pennsylvania and it's
23 successors, assignees, and agents to construct,
24 maintain, and operate, replace and remove a
25 telecommunications system in, under and across the

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2 public rights-of-way and City streets and/or to
3 place such telecommunications system within the
4 existing facilities owned by Bell Atlantic
5 Pennsylvania, PECO Corporation, Southeastern
6 Pennsylvania Transportation Authority.

7 PRESIDENT STREET: These bills will be
8 referred to the appropriate committee.

9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
10 granting permission to IXC Carrier, a Nevada
11 corporation registered to do business -- I think I
12 read this one before.

13 PRESIDENT STREET: These bills will be
14 referred to the appropriate committee.

15 The Chair inquires to Councilwoman
16 Fernandez's light.

17 COUNCILWOMAN FERNANDEZ: It was my
18 heavy stack of books.

19 PRESIDENT STREET: It was an
20 inadvertent light.

21 COUNCILWOMAN FERNANDEZ: Thanks.

22 PRESIDENT STREET: The Clerk will
23 please read the titles of the resolutions
24 introduced by Councilwoman Verna.

25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution

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2 recognizing the centennial of the Philippine
3 Declaration of Independence.

4 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair recognizes
5 Councilwoman Verna.

6 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: Mr. President, I
7 move the adoption of the resolution.

8 (Duly seconded.)

9 PRESIDENT STREET: All those in favor,
10 let it be known by saying aye.

11 Those opposed, say nay.

12 The ayes have it. The resolution is
13 adopted.

14 PRESIDENT STREET: The Clerk will
15 please read the title of the next resolution.

16 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: I believe there
17 was only one resolution.

18 PRESIDENT STREET: Oh, okay. I have
19 two. Thank you very much.

20 The Chair recognizes Councilman Kenney.

21 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you, Mr.
22 President. I have one resolution.

23 PRESIDENT STREET: The Clerk will
24 please read the title of the resolution.

25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance

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2 congratulating the Philadelphia Wings on winning
3 the National Lacrosse League Championship on April
4 28, 1998, their fifth league championship in the
5 past ten years.

6 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair recognizes
7 Councilman Kenney.

8 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: I move the
9 adoption.

10 (Duly seconded.)

11 PRESIDENT STREET: All those in favor,
12 let it be known by saying aye.

13 Those opposed, say nay.

14 The ayes have it. The resolution is
15 adopted.

16 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
17 Miller.

18 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Thank you, Mr.
19 President. I offer no bills or resolutions today.

20 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair thanks the
21 Councilwoman.

22 The Chair recognizes Councilman Nutter.

23 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Mr. President, I
24 have no bills or resolutions today.

25 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair thanks the

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2 Councilman.

3 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman

4 Fernandez.

5 COUNCILWOMAN FERNANDEZ: Mr. President,

6 I have no bills or resolutions this morning.

7 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair thanks the

8 Councilwoman.

9 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman

10 Tasco.

11 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Mr. President, I

12 offer three resolutions.

13 PRESIDENT STREET: The Clerk will

14 please read the title of the resolutions.

15 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution

16 declaring May 23rd through 25th "Cherokee Heritage

17 Weekend," in celebration of the Fifth Annual

18 Cherokee Festival.

19 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair recognizes

20 Councilman Ortiz.

21 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: (Inaudible - off

22 mike.)

23 PRESIDENT STREET: I'm sorry,

24 Councilwoman Tasco. Is there a motion?

25 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: I move for the

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2 adoption.

3 (Duly seconded.)

4 PRESIDENT STREET: All those in favor,
5 let it be known by saying aye.

6 Those opposed, say nay.

7 The ayes have it. The resolution is
8 adopted read.

9 PRESIDENT STREET: The Clerk will
10 please read the title of the second resolution.

11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
12 saluting Gladys Rawlins and the 40th anniversary
13 of Green Circle Program, Inc.

14 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair recognizes
15 Councilwoman Tasco.

16 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: I move the
17 adoption of the resolution.

18 (Duly seconded.)

19 PRESIDENT STREET: All those in favor,
20 let it be known by saying aye.

21 Those opposed, say nay.

22 The ayes have it. The resolution is
23 adopted.

24 The Clerk will please read the title of
25 the next resolution.

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2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
3 declaring May as "National Teen Pregnancy
4 Prevention Month."

5 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair recognizes
6 Councilwoman Tasco.

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

9 (Duly seconded.)

10 PRESIDENT STREET: All those in favor,
11 let it be known by saying aye.

12 Those opposed, say nay.

13 The ayes have it. The resolution is
14 adopted.

15 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair recognizes
16 Councilman Ortiz.

17 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Mr. President, I
18 have one resolution.

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

21 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
22 commemorating the life of Paulo Freire for his
23 lifetime work and achievement in redefining
24 educational therapy and methods in order to
25 increase literacy, knowledge, and empowerment of

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2 the poor and those suffering oppression of all
3 kinds.

4 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair recognizes
5 Councilman Ortiz.

6 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Mr. President, I
7 move the adoption of the resolution.

8 (Duly seconded.)

9 PRESIDENT STREET: All those in favor,
10 let it be known by saying aye.

11 Those opposed, say nay.

12 The ayes have it. The resolution is
13 adopted.

14 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair recognizes
15 Councilman DiCicco.

16 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Thank you, Mr.
17 President. I offer two bills.

18 PRESIDENT STREET: The Clerk will
19 please read the titles of the bills.

20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
21 authorizing the revision of lines grades and
22 grades on a portion of City Plan No. 308 by
23 relocating the southerly curb line of Rodman
24 Street from Ninth Street to Tenth Street, under
25 certain terms and conditions.

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2 And an ordinance establishing parking
3 regulations on East Passyunk Avenue from Wharton
4 to Latona Street, both sides, and on Ninth Street
5 from Wharton Street to Federal Street, both sides.

6 PRESIDENT STREET: These bills will be
7 referred to the appropriate committee.

8 The Chair recognizes Councilman
9 O'Neill.

10 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Mr. President, I
11 offer one bill.

12 PRESIDENT STREET: The Clerk will
13 please read the title of the bill.

14 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
15 amending Section 9-205 of The Philadelphia Code
16 relating to sidewalk sales by adding a new
17 provision prohibiting sidewalk sales on Veree
18 Road, from Oxford Avenue to Bloomfield Road and on
19 Rhawn Street from Pine Road to Algon Avenue.

20 PRESIDENT STREET: This bill will be
21 referred to the appropriate committee.

22 The Chair recognizes Councilman
23 Mariano.

24 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Mr. President, one
25 bill and one resolution.

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2 PRESIDENT STREET: The Clerk will
3 please read the title of the Bill.

4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
5 declaring that it is desirable for the health
6 safety, and welfare of the people in the area
7 served by Greater Philadelphia Health Services II
8 Corporation, a nonprofit corporation organized
9 under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
10 which operates a long-term care facility known as
11 Northwood Nursing and Convalescent Center, located
12 at 4621 Castor Avenue, Philadelphia.

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

15 The Clerk will please read the title of
16 the resolution introduced by Councilman Mariano.

17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
18 authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to
19 execute and deliver to the Redevelopment Authority
20 of the City of Philadelphia deeds for properties
21 situated in the 7th, 18th, 19th, and 23rd Wards of
22 the City of Philadelphia.

23 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair recognizes
24 Councilman Mariano.

25 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Mr. President, I

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2 motion to approve.

3 (Duly seconded.)

4 PRESIDENT STREET: All those in favor,
5 let it be known by saying aye.

6 Those opposed, say nay.

7 The ayes have it. The resolution is
8 adopted.

9 The Chair recognizes Councilman
10 Longstreth.

11 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Mr. President,
12 I have no bills or resolutions.

13 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair thanks the
14 Councilman.

15 The Chair recognizes Councilman Rizzo.

16 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Mr. President, I
17 have no bills or resolutions.

18 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair thanks
19 Councilman Rizzo.

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21 PRESIDENT STREET: Our next order of
22 business is reports from committees.

23 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Verna
24 for report of the Council Committee on Finance.

25 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: Mr. President, the

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2 Committee on Finance reports Bill No. 980228 out
3 of committee, with a favorable recommendation.

4 PRESIDENT STREET: The Clerk will
5 please read the report.

6 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: To the President
7 and Members of the Council of the City of
8 Philadelphia, the Committee on Finance, to which
9 was referred Bill No. 980228, entitled "An
10 Ordinance" authorizing the Mayor on behalf of the
11 City to file an application with the United States
12 Department of Housing and Urban Development
13 ("HUD") for a community development block grant,
14 as required by Section 104 of Title 1 of the
15 Housing and Community Development Act, as amended,
16 including all understandings that assurances
17 contained therein and designating the Mayor and
18 the Director of the Office of Housing and
19 Community Development as the authorized
20 representatives of the City.

21 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair recognizes
22 Councilwoman Verna.

23 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: Mr. President, I
24 move that the rules of Council be suspended so as
25 so as to permit first reading of Bill No. 980228.

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2 (Duly seconded.)

3 PRESIDENT STREET: All those in favor,
4 let it be known by saying aye.

5 Those opposed, say nay.

6 The ayes have it. The rules are
7 suspended, and Bill No. 980228 will be added to
8 our first-reading calendar today.

9 Will Councilwoman Verna please approach
10 the Chair.

11 (Councilwoman Verna approaches the
12 Chair.)

13 (Councilwoman Verna assumes the Chair.)

14 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: The Chair
15 recognizes Councilwoman Krajewski for a report on
16 the Appropriations Committee.

17 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: (Inaudible -
18 off mike.)

19 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: To the President
20 and Members of the Council of the City of
21 Philadelphia, the Committee on Appropriations, to
22 which was referred Bill No. 980193, entitled "An
23 Ordinance" authorizing transfers and
24 appropriations for Fiscal Year 1988 within the
25 Healthchoices Behavioral Health Revenue Fund for

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2 the Department of Public Health to the Department
3 of Public Health and to the Department of Human
4 Services Office of Emergency Shelter and Services
5 and the Director of Finance contribution to School
6 District, respectfully reports it has considered
7 the same and returns the attached bill to Council
8 with a favorable recommendation.

9 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: The Chair
10 recognizes Councilwoman Krajewski.

11 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Madame Chair,
12 I move that the rules of Council be suspended so
13 as to permit first reading of Bill No. 980193.

14 (Duly seconded.)

15 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: All those in
16 favor, will signify by saying aye.

17 Those opposed, say nay.

18 The motion is so carried.

19 The Chair recognizes the Committee on
20 Public Health and Human Services for a report from
21 the committee. Councilwoman Tasco.

22 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Madame Chairwoman,
23 the Committee on Public Health and Human Services
24 reports one bill out of committee, with a
25 favorable recommendation.

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2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: To the President
3 and Members of the Council of the City of
4 Philadelphia, the Committee on Public Health and
5 Human Services, to which was referred Bill No.
6 960367, entitled "An Ordinance" amending Title 9
7 of The Philadelphia Code entitled "Regulation of
8 Businesses, Trades and Professions" by adding a
9 new chapter prohibiting cigarette vending machines
10 and providing penalties, respectfully reports that
11 it has considered the same and returns the
12 attached bill to Council with a favorable
13 recommendation.

14 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: Thank you. The
15 will be placed on the first-reading calendar for
16 next week.

17 (President Street returns to chambers.)

18 PRESIDENT STREET: The next order of
19 business will be the consideration of the
20 calendar. The Chief Clerk will read the bills on
21 the first-reading calendar.

22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Bill 970742, an
23 ordinance amending section 19-201 of The
24 Philadelphia Code relating to City depositories by
25 clarifying and updating the list of institutions

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2 in which the City is authorized to deposit funds
3 and by amending certain conditions.

4 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair agrees.

5 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Bill No. 980228,
6 an ordinance authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of
7 the City, to file an application with the United
8 States Department of Housing and Urban Development
9 ("HUD") for a community development block grant
10 ("CDBG"), as required by Section 104 of Title 1
11 of the Housing and Community Development Act of
12 1974.

13 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair agrees.

14 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Bill No. 980193,
15 an ordinance authorizing transfers and
16 appropriations for Fiscal Year 1998 within the
17 HealthChoices Behavioral Health Revenue Fund from
18 the Department of Public Health to the Department
19 of Public Health to the Department of Human
20 Services Office of Emergency Shelter and Services
21 and the Director of Finance contributions to
22 School District.

23 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair agrees.

24 The bills read by the Chief Clerk will
25 be added to our second- and final-reading passage

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2 calendar for our next meeting

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4 PRESIDENT STREET: The next order of
5 business is consideration of the calendar.

6 The Chief Clerk will read the bills.
7 Council will now consider the bills on the second-
8 and final-reading passage calendar.

9 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
10 Verna.

11 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: Thank you, Mr.
12 President.

13 All bills on the second-reading and
14 final-passage calendar are being called for
15 consideration -- with the exception of Bill No.'s
16 960633, 960629, 970272, and 970794.

17 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair thanks the
18 Councilwoman.

19 The first bill for consideration will
20 be Bill No. 960823-AAA.

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

23 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance Title
24 17 of The Philadelphia Code amending entitled
25 "Contracts and Procurement" by amending Section

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2 17-107 entitled "Labor Management Relationships"
3 by revising the prevailing wage ordinance,
4 including extending the prevailing wage
5 requirements to certain service contracts,
6 revising administrative and reporting
7 requirements, providing for payments to persons
8 who file complaints and prohibiting discrimination
9 against persons who file complaints.

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

13 The Clerk will call a roll.

14 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
15 Blackwell.

16 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Cohen.

18 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

19 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
20 DiCicco.

21 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
23 Fernandez.

24 COUNCILWOMAN FERNANDEZ: Aye.

25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney.

1 STATED MEETING - 2ND, FINAL READING CAL. - 960823-AAA
2 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
4 Krajewski.
5 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
6 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
7 Longstreth.
8 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
10 Mariano.
11 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
12 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
13 Miller.
14 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
15 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
16 Nutter.
17 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
19 O'Neill.
20 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
21 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz.
22 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.
23 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Rizzo.
24 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

1 STATED MEETING - 2ND, FINAL READING CAL. - 970692
2 Tasco.
3 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
5 Verna.
6 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: Aye.
7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Council President
8 Street.
9 PRESIDENT STREET: Aye.
10 The ayes are -- I have 15. Did someone
11 not vote? The ayes are -- should be 16.
12 Seeing that the nays are 0, the
13 majority of all Members having voted in the
14 affirmative, the bill passes.
15 The next bill for consideration is Bill
16 No. -- Councilwoman, are we holding Bill No.
17 970794?
18 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: Yes, we are, sir.
19 PRESIDENT STREET: Thank you.
20 The next bill for consideration is Bill
21 No. 970692. The Clerk will please read the title
22 of the bill.
23 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
24 amending an ordinance approved June 15, 1997, m
25 Bill No. 970047 entitled an ordinance granting

1 STATED MEETING - 2ND, FINAL READING CAL. - 970692
2 National Fiber Network a Delaware corporation
3 registered to do business in Pennsylvania, and its
4 successors, assignees, and agents, to construct,
5 maintain, operate, replace and remove a
6 telecommunication system in, under and across the
7 public right-of-way.

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

11 The Clerk will call a roll.

12 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
13 Blackwell.

14 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

15 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Cohen.

16 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
18 DiCicco.

19 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
21 Fernandez.

22 COUNCILWOMAN FERNANDEZ: Aye.

23 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney.

24 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

1 STATED MEETING - 2ND, FINAL READING CAL. - 970692
2 Krajewski.
3 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
5 Longstreth.
6 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
8 Mariano.
9 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
10 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
11 Miller.
12 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
14 Nutter.
15 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
16 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
17 O'Neill.
18 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
19 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz.
20 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.
21 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Rizzo.
22 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
23 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
24 Tasco.
25 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

1 STATED MEETING - 2ND, FINAL READING CAL. - 970745

2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

3 Verna.

4 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: Aye.

5 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Council President

6 Street.

7 PRESIDENT STREET: Aye.

8 The ayes are 16, the nays are 0. The
9 majority of all Members having voted in the
10 affirmative, the bill passes.

11 The next bill for consideration is Bill
12 No. 970745. The Clerk will please read the title
13 of the bill.

14 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
15 amending the Retirement System Ordinance approved
16 December 3, 1956, as amended, and amending the
17 Municipal Retirement Benefit Plan 1987 Ordinance,
18 which became effective January 8, 1987, as
19 amended, to, in the case of both ordinances, allow
20 members of the retirement system to name as
21 beneficiaries and survivors any person designated
22 by the employee, under certain terms and
23 conditions.

24 PRESIDENT STREET: This bill, having
25 been read on two different days, the question now

1 STATED MEETING - 2ND, FINAL READING CAL. - 970745
2 is, shall the bill pass finally?
3 The Clerk will call a roll.
4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
5 Blackwell.
6 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.
7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Cohen.
8 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.
9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
10 DiCicco.
11 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.
12 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
13 Fernandez.
14 COUNCILWOMAN FERNANDEZ: Aye.
15 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney.
16 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
18 Krajewski.
19 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: No.
20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
21 Longstreth.
22 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
23 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
24 Mariano.
25 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: No.

1 STATED MEETING - 2ND, FINAL READING CAL. - 970745
2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
3 Miller.
4 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
5 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
6 Nutter.
7 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
9 O'Neill.
10 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: No.
11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz.
12 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.
13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Rizzo.
14 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: No.
15 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
16 Tasco.
17 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
19 Verna.
20 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: No.
21 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Council President
22 Street.
23 PRESIDENT STREET: No.
24 The ayes are 10, and the nays are 6.
25 The majority of all Members of Council having

1 STATED MEETING - 2ND, FINAL READING CAL. - 970749
2 voted in the affirmative, the bill passes.

3 (Applause.)

4 PRESIDENT STREET: The next bill for
5 consideration will be Bill No. 970749. The Clerk
6 will please read the title of the bill.

7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
8 amending Chapter 19-1400 of The Philadelphia Code
9 entitled "Realty Transfer Tax" by further
10 providing for excluded transactions and requiring
11 the signing of an affidavit, a certification
12 affidavit, under certain terms and conditions.

13 PRESIDENT STREET: This bill, having
14 been read on two different days, the question now
15 is, shall the bill pass finally?

16 The Clerk will call a roll.

17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
18 Blackwell.

19 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Cohen.

21 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
23 DiCicco.

24 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

1 STATED MEETING - 2ND, FINAL READING CAL. - 970749
2 Fernandez.
3 COUNCILWOMAN FERNANDEZ: Aye.
4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney.
5 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
6 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
7 Krajewski.
8 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: No.
9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
10 Longstreth.
11 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: No.
12 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
13 Mariano.
14 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: No.
15 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
16 Miller.
17 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
19 Nutter.
20 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
21 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
22 O'Neill.
23 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: No.
24 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz.
25 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.

1 STATED MEETING - 2ND, FINAL READING CAL. - 970749

2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Rizzo.

3 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: No.

4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

5 Tasco.

6 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

8 Verna.

9 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: No.

10 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Council President

11 Street.

12 PRESIDENT STREET: No.

13 The ayes are 9, the nays are 7. The

14 majority of all Members of Council having voted in

15 the affirmative, the bill passes.

16 (Applause.)

17 PRESIDENT STREET: The next bill for

18 consideration will be Bill No. 970750.

19 The Clerk will please read the title of

20 the bill the bill passes.

21 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance

22 amending Chapter 9-1100 of The Philadelphia Code

23 entitled "Fair Practices" by adding a new

24 definition and amending certain definitions and by

25 prohibiting discrimination in employment and

1 STATED MEETING - 2ND, FINAL READING CAL. - 970750

2 places of public accommodations on the basis of
3 marital status.

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

7 The Clerk will call a roll.

8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
9 Blackwell.

10 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Cohen.

12 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
14 DiCicco.

15 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

16 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
17 Fernandez.

18 COUNCILWOMAN FERNANDEZ: Aye.

19 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney.

20 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

21 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
22 Krajewski.

23 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: No.

24 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
25 Longstreth.

1 STATED MEETING - 2ND, FINAL READING CAL. - 970750
2 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
3 PRESIDENT STREET: What was that? I'm
4 sorry, Councilman?
5 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
6 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
7 Mariano.
8 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: No.
9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
10 Miller.
11 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
12 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
13 Nutter.
14 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
15 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
16 O'Neill.
17 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: No.
18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz.
19 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.
20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Rizzo.
21 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: No.
22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
23 Tasco.
24 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

1 STATED MEETING - 2ND, FINAL READING CAL. - 970750

2 Verna.

3 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: No.

4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Council President
5 Street.

6 PRESIDENT STREET: Aye (sic).

7 The ayes are 6, the nays are -- I'm
8 sorry, the ayes are 10 and the nays are 6. The
9 majority of all Members of Council having voted in
10 the affirmative, the bill passes.

11 (Applause.)

12 PRESIDENT STREET: The next bill for
13 consideration is Bill No. 970403. The Clerk
14 please read the title of the bill.

15 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
16 amending Section 9-601 of The Philadelphia Code
17 entitled "Garages, Parking Lots, Sales Lots and
18 Sales Show Rooms" by deleting the existing
19 provisions and enacting new provisions regulating
20 valet parking; in particular, requiring a valet
21 parking operator's license for persons who provide
22 valet parking services.

23 PRESIDENT STREET: This bill, having
24 been read on two different days, the question now
25 is, shall the bill pass finally?

1 STATED MEETING - 2ND, FINAL READING CAL. - 970750

2 If we could have your attention,
3 please. If we could have your attention, please.
4 We have one last bill.

5 I would like the record to reflect that
6 on Bill No. 970750, the vote was 10 -- 9 to 6. Do
7 you have that?

8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Uh --

9 PRESIDENT STREET: Can we have your
10 attention, please.

11 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Sorry, Mr.
12 President. Mr. President, may we have the vote
13 again?

14 We have a difference of opinion as to
15 whether the vote was 10-6 or 11-5. Would you
16 announce again the vote on the last -- on Bill No.
17 970750.

18 PRESIDENT STREET: 10-6.

19 COUNCILMAN COHEN: 10-6. 'Cause I
20 thought I heard the President say "aye," but I
21 assume that was an error and he voted no.

22 PRESIDENT STREET: If I said "aye," it
23 was in error.

24 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Okay, very good.

25 PRESIDENT STREET: The vote should be

1 STATED MEETING - 2ND, FINAL READING CAL. - 970403
2 10-6.

3 COUNCILMAN STREET: I wanted to make
4 sure of that. Thank you.

5 PRESIDENT STREET: That's an error that
6 I would hasten to clean up.

7 The last bill for consideration is Bill
8 No. 970403. The Clerk will please read the title
9 of the bill.

10 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
11 amending Section 9-601 of The Philadelphia Code
12 entitled "Garages, Parking Lots, Sales Lots and
13 Sales Show Rooms" by deleting the existing
14 provisions and enacting new provisions regulating
15 valet parking.

16 PRESIDENT STREET: This bill, having
17 been read on two different days, the question now
18 is, shall the bill pass finally?

19 The Chair recognizes Councilman Nutter.

20 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: I'm sorry, Mr.
21 President. My light is on inadvertently.

22 PRESIDENT STREET: The Clerk will call
23 a roll.

24 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
25 Blackwell.

1 STATED MEETING - 2ND, FINAL READING CAL. - 970403
2 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.
3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Cohen.
4 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.
5 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
6 DiCicco.
7 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.
8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
9 Fernandez.
10 COUNCILWOMAN FERNANDEZ: Aye.
11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney.
12 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
14 Krajewski.
15 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
16 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
17 Longstreth.
18 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
19 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
20 Mariano.
21 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
23 Miller.
24 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman

1 STATED MEETING - 2ND, FINAL READING CAL. - 970403
2 Nutter.
3 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
5 O'Neill.
6 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz.
8 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.
9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Rizzo.
10 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
12 Tasco.
13 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
14 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
15 Verna.
16 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: Aye.
17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Council President
18 Street.
19 PRESIDENT STREET: Aye.
20 The ayes are 16, the nays are 0. The
21 majority of all Members of Council having voted in
22 the affirmative, the bill passes.
23 This completes our consideration of the
24 calendar.
25 Council will now consider Resolution

1 STATED MEETING - 2ND, FINAL READING CAL. - 970843
2 No. 970843. The Clerk will please read the title
3 of this resolution.

4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
5 authorizing the City Commissioners, in their
6 capacity as the Philadelphia County Board of
7 Elections, to submit to the qualified registered
8 electors of Philadelphia the question whether an
9 electronic voting system shall be used at polling
10 places in Philadelphia.

11 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair recognizes
12 Councilman Nutter.

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

15 (Duly seconded.)

16 PRESIDENT STREET: All those in favor,
17 let it be known by saying aye.

18 Those opposed, say nay.

19 The ayes have it. The resolution is
20 adopted.

21 That brings us to ends of our
22 consideration of the calendar.

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24 PRESIDENT STREET: Are there any
25 speeches on the part of the Members of the

1 STATED MEETING - SPEECHES, ADJOURNMENT

2 Minority?

3 (No speeches on the part of the
4 Minority.)

5 PRESIDENT STREET: Are there any
6 speeches on the part of Members of the Majority?

7 (No speeches on the part of the
8 Majority.)

9 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair recognizes
10 Councilwoman Verna.

11 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: I move that this
12 Council stand adjourned till Thursday, May the
13 14th, 1998.

14 (Duly seconded.)

15 PRESIDENT STREET: All those in favor,
16 let it be known by saying aye.

17 Those opposed, say nay.

18 The ayes have it. This Council stands
19 approved until Thursday, May 14, 1998, at 10
20 o'clock a.m.

21 (Adjourned at 12:43 p.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, May 7, 1998, were
reported and accurately by me, and that this is a
correct transcript of same.

RE: STATED MEETING

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JOSEPHINE CARDILLO, RPR