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Room 400, City Hall
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Thursday, November 16, 2006
10:25 a.m.

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PRESENT:

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COUNCIL PRESIDENT ANNA C. VERNA

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COUNCILWOMAN JANNIE BLACKWELL

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COUNCILMAN DARRELL L. CLARKE

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COUNCILMAN FRANK DiCICCO

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COUNCILMAN W. WILSON GOODE, JR.

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COUNCILMAN JACK KELLY

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COUNCILWOMAN JOAN L. KRAJEWSKI

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COUNCILWOMAN DONNA REED MILLER

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COUNCILMAN BRIAN J. O'NEILL

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COUNCILWOMAN BLONDELL REYNOLDS BROWN

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COUNCILMAN FRANK RIZZO

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COUNCILWOMAN MARIAN B. TASCO

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PATRICIA RAFFERTY, CHIEF CLERK

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COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Good morning, everyone. I note that hour has come and that a quorum of this Council is present. Council will please come to order. Members will take their seats, and visitors will retire to the seats outside the rails.

To give our invocation this morning, the Chair welcomes Reverend E. Clifford Cutler, Pastor of St. Paul's Episcopal Church. He is here today as the guest of Councilman Rizzo.

I would ask all members and guests to please rise.

REVEREND CUTLER: It's a great pleasure to be here and one week before Thanksgiving to have a real sense of thanks for the work that you all do and here where the statue on City Hall where William Penn faces Penn Treaty Park, and that sends a reconciliation and treaty that was here at our beginning, and I'm thankful for the work that you all do to further that sense of reconciliation in

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2 our amazingly diverse city. And so now
3 let us pray.

4 Almighty God, our Heavenly
5 Father, send down upon those who hold
6 office in this Council Chamber the spirit
7 of wisdom, charity and justice that with
8 steadfast purpose they may faithfully
9 serve in their offices to promote the
10 well-being of all people, through Jesus
11 Christ, our Lord.

12 Amen.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
14 Chair thanks Reverend Cutler for his very
15 inspiring invocation.

16 Council will be at ease.

17 (Council at ease.)

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
19 next order of business is the approval of
20 the Journal of the meeting of Thursday,
21 November 2, 2006, and the Chair
22 recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell.

23 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
24 you, Madam President. I move that the
25 Journal of the meeting of the date just

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2 referenced be approved.

3 (Duly seconded.)

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
5 has been moved and seconded that the
6 Journal of the meeting of Thursday,
7 November 2, 2006 stand approved.

8 All in favor will indicate by
9 saying aye.

10 (Aye.)

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
12 opposed?

13 (No response.)

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
15 ayes have it, and the Journal of the
16 meeting of Thursday, November 2, 2006 is
17 approved.

18 The next order of business is
19 requests for leave of absence, and,
20 again, the Chair recognizes Councilwoman
21 Blackwell.

22 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
23 you, Madam President. On behalf of the
24 majority, a leave of absence is requested
25 for Councilman Kenney and Councilman

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2 Ramos.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
4 you. Leave will be granted.

5 The Chair recognizes Councilman
6 O'Neill.

7 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Madam
8 President, on behalf of the republicans,
9 there are no requests for leave of
10 absence.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
12 Chair thanks the gentleman.

13 The Chair will dispense with
14 the regular order of business to
15 recognize the guests and visitors joining
16 us in Chambers this morning. On behalf
17 of all members of City Council, I welcome
18 you to our Council session. We
19 appreciate your taking the time to join
20 us as we attend to the legislative
21 affairs of our City. We certainly invite
22 you to come again.

23 At this time, the Chair
24 recognizes Councilman O'Neill.

25 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Madam

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2 President, I'd like to introduce a
3 special guest. I have with me James
4 Dougherty. James is the President of the
5 Student Council at Franklin Towne Charter
6 High School in Northeast Philadelphia and
7 he's also the grandson of Joe Dougherty
8 of the Iron Workers Local 401 up on
9 Norcom Road in my district, and just a
10 wonderful young man, and he's
11 experiencing a day in City Council and in
12 City Hall.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: We
14 certainly welcome you.

15 (Applause.)

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: At
17 this time, the Chair recognizes
18 Councilman Rizzo, who will present a
19 resolution honoring St. Paul's Episcopal
20 Church on their 150th anniversary.

21 Will Reverend Cutler and those
22 accompanying him please join the
23 Councilman at the podium.

24 The Councilman is being joined
25 by Councilwoman Miller.

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2 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Thank you,
3 Madam President. Matter of fact,
4 Reverend Cutler this morning gave our
5 invocation, and Councilwoman Donna Miller
6 will be with me to present this
7 resolution, and also joining us is
8 Stewart Graham that works with me and
9 Clark Groome, who is the Chair of the
10 Sesquicentennial Committee at St. Paul's
11 Episcopal Church.

12 Recognizing, honoring and
13 celebrating St. Paul's Episcopal Church,
14 Chestnut Hill, the Church of the Angels,
15 for its invaluable contributions to the
16 community of Chestnut Hill and the City
17 of Philadelphia on the occasion of its
18 150th anniversary, 1856 to 2006.

19 Whereas, ten well-dressed
20 ladies and nine gentlemen gathered on the
21 evening of June 18, 1855 in the meeting
22 room above the newly built Chestnut Hill
23 Railroad Station and resolved to form a
24 Protestant Episcopal Church in Chestnut
25 Hill; and

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2 Whereas, on May 8, 1856, St.
3 Paul's Episcopal Church, Chestnut Hill,
4 was officially admitted to union with the
5 Episcopal Diocese of Pennsylvania to
6 serve a growing community within a
7 growing city, and called its first
8 Rector, Alexander Shiras, on November 5,
9 1856.

10 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: And
11 whereas, over the many years since then,
12 St. Paul's has been the source of much
13 leadership both in the City and
14 especially in the Episcopal Church with
15 three of its Rectors subsequently elected
16 as bishops; and

17 Whereas, St. Paul's is a
18 sanctuary for worship and a well-spring
19 of spiritual nourishment so that its
20 parishioners will use their gifts in
21 service to the world; and

22 Whereas, St. Paulites are still
23 trying to identify all their angels in
24 and around their magnificent gothic
25 sanctuary numbering 55 at last count, not

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2 to mention its many gargoyles; and

3 Whereas, this year, St. Paul's
4 celebrates its 150th year and begins a
5 new era under the rectorship of E.
6 Clifford Cutler, with much excitement and
7 promise for another 150 years and more of
8 faithful service to God in Chestnut Hill,
9 Philadelphia and the world at large.

10 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Whereas, it
11 is widely known that St. Paulites know
12 how to party, celebrating their
13 Sesquicentennial with a speaker series,
14 musical events, a parish cookbook, great
15 preachers, a gala, a commissioning of a
16 special anthem and a festival service.

17 Now, therefore resolved, by the
18 Council of the City of Philadelphia, that
19 it recognizes, honors and celebrates St.
20 Paul's Episcopal Church, Chestnut Hill,
21 the Church of the Angels, for the
22 invaluable contributions to the community
23 of Chestnut Hill and to the City of
24 Philadelphia on the occasion of its 150th
25 anniversary.

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2 Further resolved, that an
3 engrossed copy of this resolution be
4 presented to Reverend Clifford Cutler
5 today in this Council Chamber.

6 That's interesting, Reverend,
7 when you do a little research, I
8 learned -- and this might be good news
9 for you. I'm sure you know this,
10 though -- that three Rectors have become
11 bishops. So that's a good thing. And
12 right outside we have a statue of John
13 Christian Bullet right outside the
14 Mayor's entrance, and he was a member of
15 your congregation at St. Paul's.

16 So would you say a few words.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
18 Chair recognizes Reverend Cutler for
19 remarks.

20 REVEREND CUTLER: Thank you.
21 Well, I'm glad it was three former
22 Rectors who became bishops and not the
23 current one.

24 I want to thank you very much,
25 Donna Reed Miller and Frank Rizzo, for

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2 this presentation. St. Paul's in the
3 early years -- or Chestnut Hill in the
4 early years was called a gateway to the
5 center and inner City of Philadelphia,
6 because Bethlehem Pike and Germantown
7 Avenue came through there, and I'd like
8 to think of the church as a gateway for
9 mission, that we're really involved in
10 the mission to Philadelphia through the
11 work with the homeless, the hungry and in
12 many other community organizations. We
13 also receive back through that gateway
14 the deep faith stories of the people of
15 this City that's very powerful.

16 I also like to think of the
17 church as a gateway within, as we find
18 within that piece of God and that sense
19 of balance in life. So it gives me great
20 pleasure to receive this resolution, and
21 I also want to give some gifts to our
22 Councilwoman and Councilman.

23 Donna Reed Miller, this is a
24 history of St. Paul's Church, and over
25 150 years, they have been great strengths

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2 of mission and community building and
3 music and worship, and I know that the
4 community building and the mission just
5 resonate with the work that you do.

6 And, Frank Rizzo, thank you so
7 much for your recognition and for your
8 service to us and to this City.

9 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Thank you.

10 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Thank
11 you.

12 (Applause.)

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

14 Council will be at ease.

15 (Council at ease.)

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
17 Chair now recognizes Councilman DiCicco,
18 who will present a resolution
19 commemorating the 68th anniversary of
20 Kristallnacht.

21 Will Mr. Gottfried Helnwein and
22 those accompanying him please join the
23 Councilman at the podium.

24 I see that the Councilman is
25 being joined by Councilman Goode.

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2 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Good
3 morning, and thank you. Councilman
4 Kenney is not here today and he asked if
5 myself and Councilman Goode would read
6 this resolution.

7 It's a resolution commemorating
8 the 68th anniversary of Kristallnacht and
9 recognizing the artistic contributions of
10 Gottfried Helnwein in keeping the memory
11 of the Holocaust alive.

12 Whereas, on the nights of
13 November 9th and 10th, 1938 gangs of Nazi
14 youth roamed through the Jewish
15 neighborhoods throughout Germany and
16 parts of Austria breaking windows of
17 Jewish businesses and homes, burning
18 synagogues and looting. In all, 101
19 synagogues were destroyed and almost
20 7,500 businesses were destroyed. 26,000
21 Jews were arrested and sent to
22 concentration camps. Jews were
23 physically attacked and beaten and 91
24 Jews died; and

25 Whereas, on November 12th,

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2 Hermann Goering, President of the
3 Reichstag and Hitler's second in command,
4 called a meeting of the top Nazi
5 leadership to assess the damage done
6 during the night and place responsibility
7 for it. The intent of the meeting was
8 twofold: to make the Jews responsible
9 for Kristallnacht and to use the events
10 of the preceding days as a rationale for
11 promulgating a series of anti-Semitic
12 laws which would, in effect, remove the
13 Jews from the German economy; and

14 Whereas, the event became known
15 as Kristallnacht, or the Night of Broken
16 Glass. Jews were especially targeted for
17 vandalism, including desecration of
18 sacred Torah scrolls. Hundreds of
19 synagogues were systematically burned
20 while local fire departments stood by or
21 simply prevented the fire from spreading
22 to surrounding buildings; and whereas

23 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Whereas,
24 this massive and coordinated attack
25 triggered what was to become known as the

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2 Holocaust, a state-sponsored systematic
3 persecution of the annihilation of
4 European Jewry by Nazi Germany and its
5 collaborators. Jews were the primary
6 victims. Six million were murdered;
7 Gypsies, the handicapped and Poles were
8 also targeted for destruction and
9 decimation for racial, ethnic or national
10 reasons. Millions more, including
11 homosexuals, Jehovah's Witnesses, Soviet
12 prisoners of war and political
13 dissidents, also suffered grievous
14 oppression and death under Nazi tyranny;
15 and

16 Whereas, renowned Austrian-born
17 artist, Gottfried Helnwein, has committed
18 himself and his art to reminding the
19 world of the Holocaust. His exhibit,
20 Ninth November Night, consists of 17
21 children's portraits displayed in
22 commemoration of Kristallnacht. Ninth
23 November Night was originally displayed
24 in 1988 in Cologne, Germany. Days into
25 the exhibit, the paintings were

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2 vandalized by neo-Nazis. This exhibit
3 will have its American premiere in
4 Philadelphia in spring 2007.

5 Now, therefore be it resolved,
6 by the Council of the City of
7 Philadelphia, that the 68th anniversary
8 of Kristallnacht be commemorated, and
9 that Gottfried Helnwein be honored for
10 his artistic contributions.

11 Be it further resolved, that an
12 engrossed copy of this resolution be
13 presented to Mr. Helnwein and to the
14 Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia
15 as evidence of this legislative body's
16 sincere appreciation of their efforts to
17 ensuring that the world never forgets the
18 horrors of the Holocaust.

19 Introduced by James F. Kenney,
20 Frank DiCicco and W. Wilson Goode, Jr.
21 and sponsored by all members of Council.

22 (Applause.)

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
24 Chair recognizes Mr. Helnwein for
25 remarks.

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2 MR. HELNWEIN: Thank you very
3 much. I just want to say some words to
4 explain why I created this work of art.

5 I was born in Vienna a few
6 years after the Second World War, and it
7 was a very miserable place. As a kid, I
8 thought I was born in hell. Everybody
9 was bad mood. People were depressed.
10 There was lots of sorrow. I didn't
11 understand. What I didn't know then is
12 that my ancestors just a few years before
13 have caused one of the biggest tragedies
14 in history, a world war that killed 50
15 million people, and one of the most
16 horrible ideologies that said that we
17 divide people in superior human beings
18 and inferior human beings, and the
19 Germans and Austrians have created the
20 term "untermensch," which means subhuman.
21 And as a result of that, 6 million Jewish
22 people were killed, Gypsies, homosexuals.

23 So I didn't know, because
24 nobody talked about it. In Austria, in
25 school, we didn't hear anything about it.

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2 So I was very curious, and I started to
3 research, and it took me many years to
4 find out more and more, layer by layer of
5 the truth. And years later, at the 50th
6 anniversary of that dark moment in
7 history, I lived in Germany and I
8 realized that nobody talked about it, as
9 if it was forgotten. I then decided to
10 use my art to remind people. And I try
11 to get a sponsor, but nobody wanted to
12 fund it. And then I decided to make a
13 piece of art by not using historic
14 photographs, because the pictures of
15 (unintelligible) have been shown over and
16 over again. But I did a photograph,
17 children that lived in Germany, children
18 of different ethnic background and
19 religion, and I blew them up to huge
20 pictures and made a long lane of pictures
21 in the center of the city of Cologne,
22 forcing people to look at the faces. And
23 at the beginning of the row of pictures,
24 I had this one word "seleccion," which
25 means selection, of course. Because I

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2 think the core of the tragedy is the idea
3 that a group of people can decide which
4 people have a right to live and which not
5 and who is superior or inferior based on
6 race or religion or ethnic background.
7 And it caused a big impact in Germany,
8 this installation, and after two nights,
9 somebody would symbolically cut the
10 throats of all the children. So it shows
11 that there's still a great potential of
12 hate and anger and racism and
13 anti-Semitism.

14 And this work of art has been
15 shown all over the world, in Russia and
16 Japan and Europe, and it's the first time
17 now in the United States, and I'm very
18 thankful and I'm very happy that it is in
19 this city, because I think this city
20 stands for freedom and liberty and for a
21 new vision, and that's why I think there
22 couldn't have been a better place.

23 So I want to thank also the
24 City Council of Philadelphia of course,
25 the Jewish Federation of Greater

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2 Philadelphia, especially Linda Gordman,
3 Jane Golden and (unintelligible).

4 And I just want to end with the
5 words of Sieman Weisentard, who said,
6 Freedom is not something that falls from
7 heaven. We have to fight for it every
8 day.

9 Thanks.

10 (Applause.)

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

12 Council will be at ease.

13 (Council at ease.)

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: I

15 understand we are graced with the
16 presence of the Consul General of
17 Austria, who would like to say a few
18 words.

19 CONSUL GENERAL: Thank you.

20 It's my honor to be here for this very
21 special occasion. We are here to
22 remember tragic events that happened
23 almost seven decades ago. It was a
24 difficult time for many European
25 countries, also my own country, Austria.

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2 I am from a younger generation,
3 born after war, for who these events are
4 not memory but history. We cannot feel
5 responsible for what happened in the
6 past, but we do feel responsible for what
7 will happen in the future.

8 It is indeed important never to
9 forget the horrors of the Holocaust. As
10 Elie Wiesel said in his Nobel Peace Prize
11 acceptance speech in 1986, he tried to
12 keep memory alive. He tried to fight
13 those who would forget, because if we
14 forget, we are guilty, we are
15 accomplices.

16 He's right, but we must not
17 remain prisoners of history. We must
18 become also for the future. In order to
19 really make a difference, we need a
20 perspective for the future, a road map
21 for generations to come, aiming at
22 friendship and compassion. We need to
23 build bridges between peoples and
24 generations, and what better way to do
25 that than through art and particularly

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2 the art of Gottfried Helnwein, whose
3 primary obligation is to be human and who
4 both documents and provokes responses.
5 He doesn't give responses. Rather, he
6 asks questions and, thus, touches people.
7 His art is shocking but, at the same
8 time, gives hope.

9 Thank you.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank
11 you.

12 (Applause.)

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: I
14 would ask the members to please come up
15 and join in on the photo, please.

16 (Council at ease.)

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
18 Chair now recognizes Councilwoman
19 Blackwell, who will present a citation
20 recognizing Healthy Hoops Program. Will
21 Mr. Glen Ellis and those accompanying him
22 please join the Councilwoman at the
23 podium.

24 Councilwoman Blackwell is being
25 joined by Councilwoman Brown.

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2 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
3 you very much. Good morning. We note
4 that Mr. Glen Ellis, the famous herb
5 specialist, was due to join us and could
6 not be here, but we certainly recognize
7 him in his absence. It was he who helped
8 me with my mother before she passed.

9 City Council, City of
10 Philadelphia citation, honoring and
11 recognizing Healthy Hoops Program.

12 The Council of the City of
13 Philadelphia is pleased and proud to join
14 Strategies for Well-Being and recognizing
15 its Healthy Hoops Program.

16 Whereas, in 2003, Keystone
17 Mercy Health Plan and AstraZeneca
18 partnered to create an innovative asthma
19 education and basketball program. The
20 Healthy Hoops Program has received local
21 and national recognition as an asthmatic
22 educational outreach program. It uses
23 basketball as a platform, teaching
24 participants ages 7 to 15 how to manage
25 asthma through appropriate medication

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2 usage, proper nutrition, monitored
3 exercise and recreational activities; and

4 Whereas, 24 million Americans
5 live with asthma every day, including 3.8
6 million children. Asthma accounts for
7 one-third of all pediatric emergency room
8 visits. It is the fourth most common
9 reason for pediatric physician office
10 visits and is one of the leading causes
11 of school absenteeism. In addition,
12 asthma accounts for an estimated 3
13 million lost work days annually for
14 people over the age of 18; and

15 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Whereas,
16 the Healthy Hoops Program has received
17 local and national recognition as an
18 innovative asthmatic education outreach
19 program. Recently, the program was
20 awarded the prestigious Recognizing
21 Innovation in Multi-Cultural Healthcare
22 Award by the National Committee for
23 Quality Assurance, with efforts to reach
24 across cultural divides and provide
25 participants in Philadelphia with

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2 culturally and linguistically appropriate
3 services. They were one of ten health
4 companies in the entire country to
5 receive this award; and

6 Whereas, now in its fourth
7 year, expansion of the program has
8 continued with participation from North
9 and West Philadelphia and Chester,
10 Pennsylvania. The scope of the program
11 also expanded to include younger
12 asthmatic children ages 3 through 6 and
13 it includes educational cardiovascular
14 diseases and obesity health prevention;
15 and

16 Therefore, by virtue of this
17 citation, the Council of the City of
18 Philadelphia is pleased and proud to join
19 Strategies for Well-Being, LLC in
20 recognizing its Healthy Hoops Program.
21 We encourage participation and support of
22 this worthwhile endeavor to raise the
23 level of awareness and to educate our
24 community in managing asthma. We extend
25 the sincere respect and admiration of

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2 West Philadelphia, an area of
3 Philadelphia that has one of the highest
4 incidences of pediatric asthma in the
5 United States, Healthy Hoops has now
6 grown and expanded into a national
7 community outreach program, touching the
8 lives of over 1,400 participants. Your
9 acknowledgment today solidifies our work
10 as a leader in Medicaid managed care in
11 the Philadelphia region and recognizes
12 Healthy Hoops as an innovative and
13 award-winning asthma outreach initiative.
14 With community outreach programs such as
15 Healthy Hoops, Keystone Mercy is able to
16 live its mission every day to help people
17 get care, stay well and build healthy
18 communities to our more than 274,000
19 members in the Philadelphia region.

20 Madam President, Councilwomen
21 and members of Council, on behalf of
22 Keystone Mercy Health Plan, the Healthy
23 Hoops coalition members and our main
24 sponsor, AstraZeneca, thank you for this
25 recognition.

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2 (Applause.)

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

4 Council will be at ease.

5 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Madam

6 President, we have just a couple more

7 remarks, please.

8 MS. ALLEN: My name is Amy

9 Allen and I'm with AstraZeneca. On

10 behalf of AstraZeneca, we'd just also

11 like to say thank you for the recognition

12 of this program, the partnership with

13 Keystone Mercy and the City of

14 Philadelphia, as we continue to work on

15 the management of asthma, for pediatric

16 asthma, in the City of Philadelphia. So

17 thank you.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank

19 you.

20 Council will be at ease.

21 (Applause.)

22 (Council at ease.)

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

24 next order of business is communications.

25 The Chair requests that the

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2 Sergeant-At-Arms deliver the messages
3 from the Mayor to the Chief Clerk.

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

6 CHIEF CLERK: To the President
7 and members of the Council of the City of
8 Philadelphia, I am pleased to advise you
9 that on November 6, 2006, I signed Bill
10 No. 060692 which was passed by Council at
11 its session on October 26, 2006; and

12 I am also pleased to advise you
13 that on November 16, 2006, I signed all
14 of the remaining bills that were passed
15 by Council at its session on October 26,
16 and November 2, 2006; and

17 I am transmitting for the
18 consideration of your honorable body a
19 resolution approving the redevelopment
20 contract of the Redevelopment Authority,
21 the City of Philadelphia, for the
22 redevelopment and urban renewal of a
23 portion of the Whitman Urban Renewal
24 Area; and

25 A resolution approving

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2 termination of the arrangement with the
3 Philadelphia Council of the Boy Scouts or
4 its successors, the Greater Liberty
5 Council of the Boy Scouts; and

6 An ordinance authorizing the
7 Commissioner of Public Property, on
8 behalf of the City of Philadelphia, to
9 enter into a sublease with the
10 Philadelphia Authority for Industrial
11 Development for premises located 2815
12 North 17th Street; and

13 An ordinance authorizing --

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
15 noise level is much too high. Anyone
16 having conversation, I ask you to do that
17 in the corridor.

18 Please proceed.

19 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
20 authorizing the President of the
21 Fairmount Park Commission to execute a
22 ground lease and license agreement with
23 the Philadelphia Museum of Art
24 Corporation under which the Corporation
25 would construct a parking garage and

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2 related improvements in East Fairmount
3 Park in the vicinity of the Philadelphia
4 Museum of Art; and

5 An ordinance authorizing and
6 directing the revision of lines and
7 grades on a portion of City Plan No. 129
8 by striking from the City Plan 25th
9 Street from Stokley Street to
10 Westmoreland Street; and

11 An ordinance amending Title 4
12 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "The
13 Philadelphia Building Construction and
14 Occupancy Code," by adopting the 2006
15 Pennsylvania Uniformed Construction Code;
16 and

17 An ordinance authorizing
18 transfers in appropriations for Fiscal
19 Year 2006 within the General Fund to
20 certain or all City offices, departments,
21 boards and commissions; and

22 An ordinance authorizing
23 transfers in appropriations for Fiscal
24 Year 2006 within the Water Fund to
25 certain or all City offices, departments,

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2 boards and commissions; and

3 An ordinance authorizing
4 transfers in appropriations for Fiscal
5 Year 2006 within the Aviation Fund to
6 certain or all City offices, departments,
7 boards and commissions; and

8 An ordinance authorizing
9 transfers in appropriations for Fiscal
10 Year 2006 within the Grants Revenue Fund
11 to the Housing Trust Fund, the Mayor -
12 Office of Housing and Community
13 Development.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
15 you. The messages will be printed in the
16 Journal.

17 The Chief Clerk will please
18 read any other communications in her
19 possession.

20 CHIEF CLERK: That's all I
21 have, Madam President.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
23 you.

24 The next order of business is
25 the introduction of bills and

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2 resolutions, and the Chair recognizes
3 Councilwoman Blackwell for a motion.

4 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
5 you, Madam President. I move that the
6 rules of Council be suspended in order to
7 permit the immediate consideration of
8 resolutions at their time of
9 introduction.

10 (Duly seconded.)

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
12 has been moved and properly seconded that
13 the rules of Council be suspended so as
14 to permit immediate consideration of
15 resolutions at the time of introduction.

16 All in favor will indicate by
17 saying aye.

18 (Aye.)

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
20 opposed?

21 (No response.)

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
23 ayes have it and the motion carries.

24 The Chair recognizes
25 Councilwoman Blackwell.

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2 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
3 you, Madam President. Today I introduce
4 three resolutions and one bill, one
5 resolution on your behalf that is signed
6 by all members of Council.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
8 you.

9 The Chief Clerk will please
10 read the title of the bill.

11 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
12 providing for the submission of the
13 qualified electors of the City of
14 Philadelphia of an amendment to Article
15 VIII, Chapter 5 of the Philadelphia Home
16 Rule Charter, entitled "Referenda
17 Approved by the Voters," by adding a new
18 section providing that the citizens of
19 Philadelphia urge the United States to
20 make Year 2007 the time to redeploy U.S.
21 troops out of harm's way in Iraq.

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

25 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution

1 11/16/06 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS
2 proposing an amendment to Article VIII,
3 Chapter 5 of the Philadelphia Home Rule
4 Charter, entitled "Referenda Approved by
5 the Voters," by adding a new section
6 providing that the citizens of
7 Philadelphia urge the United States to
8 make Year 2007 the time to redeploy U.S.
9 troops out of harm's way in Iraq.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
11 you.

12 The Chair recognizes
13 Councilwoman Blackwell.

14 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
15 you, Madam President.

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Oh,
17 I'm sorry. That will be referred to the
18 appropriate committee.

19 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
20 honoring and congratulating Samuel L.
21 Evans on the occasion of his 105th
22 birthday.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
24 Chair again recognizes Councilwoman
25 Blackwell.

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2 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
3 you, Madam President. It's 104th, or it
4 should be, and I move for the adoption of
5 the resolution. Thank you.

6 (Duly seconded.)

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

10 All in favor will say aye.

11 (Aye.)

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
13 opposed?

14 (No response.)

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
16 ayes have it and the resolution is
17 adopted.

18 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
19 honoring Herb Wetzel for his dedicated
20 service to the Redevelopment Authority,
21 the City of Philadelphia.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
23 Chair again recognizes Councilwoman
24 Blackwell.

25 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank

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2 you, Madam President. I move for the
3 adoption of the resolution.

4 (Duly seconded.)

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

8 All in favor will say aye.

9 (Aye.)

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
11 opposed?

12 (No response.)

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
14 ayes have it and the motion carries.

15 The Chair recognizes
16 Councilwoman Krajewski.

17 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Thank
18 you, Madam President. I have two bills
19 and two resolutions, one which I ask to
20 speak on.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
22 you.

23 The Chief Clerk will please
24 read the title of the first bill.

25 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance

1 11/16/06 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS
2 amending Title 4 of The Philadelphia
3 Code, entitled "Philadelphia Building
4 Construction and Occupancy Code," by
5 adopting the 2006 Pennsylvania Uniformed
6 Construction Code.

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

10 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
11 authorizing transfers in appropriations
12 for Fiscal Year 2006 from the Grants
13 Revenue Fund to the Housing Trust Fund,
14 the Mayor - Office of Housing and
15 Community Development.

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

19 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
20 affirming Council's objection and
21 opposition to the proposed reopening and
22 reusage of Holmesburg Prison to house
23 over 250 prisoners due to overcrowding in
24 the Philadelphia Prison System.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

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2 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Krajewski.

3 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Thank
4 you, Madam President. In 1995, almost
5 100 years ago after opening its door,
6 Holmesburg Prison closed down for good,
7 or so we thought. This past July 22nd
8 the Philadelphia Prison System and the
9 Administration opened up the Holmesburg
10 Prison gymnasium as a processing point
11 for about 80 inmates. This tactic was
12 used because we were all aware our City
13 has a prison overcrowding problem.

14 I, along with the residents of
15 Holmesburg, were not happy with this
16 decision, but we compromised because it
17 was understood and affirmed that the
18 Holmesburg Prison would just be a
19 temporary use and no more than 80
20 prisoners would be processed there. At
21 that time, the City of Philadelphia was
22 in talks with leasing prison space from
23 two counties in New Jersey to ease our
24 overpopulated jail cells.

25 In the past 24 hours, I have

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2 been made aware that there is a proposal
3 to house an additional 250 more prisoners
4 at Holmesburg Prison and put
5 approximately \$4 million into upgrades
6 and renovations into the prison to
7 accommodate these inmates. \$4 million
8 into a prison that was closed over ten
9 years ago.

10 The people of Holmesburg don't
11 want this prison reopened. I don't want
12 this prison reopened, and I hope my
13 colleagues in Council will affirm our
14 objection and opposition to this
15 proposal.

16 Thank you.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Move
18 the adoption.

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

21 (Duly seconded.)

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

25 All in favor will say aye.

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2 (Aye.)

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
4 opposed?

5 (No response.)

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

9 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
10 celebrating the 65th anniversary of St.
11 Hubert's Catholic High School for Girls.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
13 Chair again recognizes Councilwoman
14 Krajewski.

15 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: I move
16 for the adoption of the resolution.

17 (Duly seconded.)

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

21 All in favor will say aye.

22 (Aye.)

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
24 opposed?

25 (No response.)

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
3 ayes have it and the resolution is
4 adopted.

5 The Chair recognizes
6 Councilwoman Tasco.

7 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Madam
8 President, I offer two resolutions. One
9 I'd like to speak on relative to DHS, and
10 I offer one on your behalf.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
12 you.

13 The Chief Clerk will please
14 read the title of the first resolution.

15 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
16 honoring the career of Herman Wooden.

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

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

21 (Duly seconded.)

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

25 All in favor will say aye.

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2 (Aye.)

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
4 opposed?

5 (No response.)

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

9 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
10 honoring Lynda Orfanelli for 37 years of
11 dedicated service to the City of
12 Philadelphia.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
14 Chair again recognizes Councilwoman
15 Tasco.

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

18 (Duly seconded.)

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

22 All in favor will say aye.

23 (Aye.)

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
25 opposed?

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2 (No response.)

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
4 ayes have it and the resolution is
5 adopted.

6 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
7 authorizing the Council Committee on
8 Public Health and Human Services to hold
9 hearings regarding child abuse deaths in
10 the City of Philadelphia.

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

13 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Madam
14 President, I'd like to speak on this
15 resolution.

16 The death of any child in our
17 City is one death too many, and the death
18 of a child as a result of child abuse is
19 especially troubling and tragic. Today
20 in this context, Councilwoman Blondell
21 Reynolds Brown and I are introducing a
22 resolution that authorizes the Public
23 Health and Human Services Committee to
24 hold hearings regarding child abuse
25 deaths in Philadelphia.

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2 Prior to when the story first
3 appeared in the newspaper, as you know,
4 we had scheduled a Council briefing to
5 have the Department come over and talk to
6 us about what was going on, and that did
7 not take place. The purpose of these
8 hearings is to have a broad and
9 comprehensive review of the City's child
10 abuse death rate and discuss with the
11 various state, local and private parties
12 and agencies which are responsible for
13 identifying remedies and solutions to
14 this issue.

15 As the City's principal
16 oversight body, it is our duty as City
17 Council to investigate this issue and to
18 take any action necessary to protect our
19 children and provide them with the
20 opportunity to grow and develop in a safe
21 home and a safe city.

22 Thank you very much. I ask my
23 colleagues to support this, because we do
24 have legislative oversight for the
25 Department, and we have not had the

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2 opportunity to have our discussion and I
3 think the public discussion.

4 I move for the adoption.

5 (Duly seconded.)

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

9 All in favor will say aye.

10 (Aye.)

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
12 opposed?

13 (No response.)

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
15 ayes have it and the resolution will be
16 referred to the Committee on Public
17 Health and Human Services.

18 The Chair recognizes
19 Councilwoman Miller.

20 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Thank
21 you, Madam President. Today I offer two
22 bills and one resolution.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
24 you.

25 The Chief Clerk will please

1 11/16/06 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS

2 read the title of the first bill.

3 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
4 authorizing and directing the revision of
5 lines and grades on a portion of City
6 Plan No. 129 by striking from the City
7 Plan 25th Street from Stokley Street to
8 Westmoreland Street.

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

12 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
13 authorizing the Commissioner of Public
14 Property, on behalf of the City of
15 Philadelphia, to enter into a sublease
16 agreement with the Philadelphia Authority
17 for Industrial Development for use by the
18 City of premises located 2815 North 17th
19 Street.

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

23 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
24 recognizing, honoring and celebrating
25 Operation Respect for its mission of

1 11/16/06 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS
2 aiding schools' efforts to nurture
3 children's emotional, social and ethical
4 development through character education,
5 conflict resolution and teaching
6 tolerance programs.

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

9 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Thank
10 you. I move for the adoption of the
11 resolution.

12 (Duly seconded.)

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

16 All in favor will say aye.

17 (Aye.)

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
19 opposed?

20 (No response.)

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

24 The Chair recognizes
25 Councilwoman Brown.

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2 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Thank you,
3 Madam President. I offer up one
4 resolution this morning.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
6 you.

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

9 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
10 honoring Salome Thomas-El for his
11 tireless dedication to improve the
12 quality of life and service to the
13 children of Philadelphia, the School
14 District of Philadelphia and his
15 authorship of two nationally acclaimed
16 books.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
18 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Brown.

19 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Thank you,
20 Madam President. I move for the
21 adoption.

22 (Duly seconded.)

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

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2 All in favor will say aye.

3 (Aye.)

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
5 opposed?

6 (No response.)

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

10 The Chair recognizes Councilman
11 Goode.

12 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you,
13 Madam President. I offer two bills.

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

17 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
18 amending Chapter 17-1400 of The
19 Philadelphia Code, entitled
20 "Non-Competitively Bid Contracts;
21 Financial Assistance," by revising the
22 thresholds for, and terms of, eligibility
23 for certain contracts and financial
24 assistance, all under certain terms and
25 conditions.

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

5 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
6 amending Title 17 of The Philadelphia
7 Code, entitled "Contracts and
8 Procurement," by adding a new chapter
9 defining and detailing the categories of
10 the Disadvantaged Business Enterprises
11 and of City contracts that must be
12 considered separately by the Finance
13 Director in conducting the annual
14 disparity study and devising the annual
15 participation goals.

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

19 The Chair recognizes Councilman
20 DiCicco.

21 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Thank you,
22 Madam President. I offer one resolution.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
24 you.

25 The Chief Clerk will please

1 11/16/06 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS

2 read the title of the resolution.

3 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
4 approving the redevelopment contract of
5 the Redevelopment Authority, the City of
6 Philadelphia, for the redevelopment and
7 urban renewal of a portion of the Whitman
8 Urban Renewal Area.

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

11 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: I move for
12 the adoption of the resolution.

13 (Duly seconded.)

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

17 All in favor will say aye.

18 (Aye.)

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
20 opposed?

21 (No response.)

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

25 The Chair recognizes Councilman

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2 O'Neill.

3 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Madam

4 President, I have no bills or

5 resolutions.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank

7 you.

8 The Chair recognizes Councilman

9 Clarke.

10 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Madam

11 President, I have four bills, one

12 co-sponsored by Councilwoman Donna Reed

13 Miller.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank

15 you.

16 The Chief Clerk will please

17 read the title of the first bill.

18 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance

19 amending Chapter 10-300 of The

20 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Minors," by

21 making it unlawful to allow any minor on

22 any non-school premises during school

23 hours, under certain terms and

24 conditions.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

1 11/16/06 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS
2 bill will be referred to the appropriate
3 committee.

4 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
5 authorizing the President of the
6 Fairmount Park Commission to execute a
7 ground lease and license agreement with
8 the Philadelphia Museum of Art
9 Corporation.

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

13 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
14 authorizing the Commissioner of Public
15 Property to execute and deliver to the
16 Philadelphia Authority for Industrial
17 Development a deed located 1015 to 21
18 Mount Vernon Street.

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

22 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
23 authorizing John Rocco to construct,
24 operate and maintain underground
25 electrical and phone to the newsstand

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2 located at 20th and Market Streets.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This
4 bill will be referred to the appropriate
5 committee, and the Chair recognizes
6 Councilman Kelly.

7 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Madam
8 President, I'd offer one privileged
9 resolution.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
11 you.

12 The Chief Clerk will please
13 read the title of the resolution.

14 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
15 recognizing Philadelphia noir novelist
16 David Goodis.

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

19 COUNCILMAN KELLY: I move for
20 the adoption.

21 (Duly seconded.)

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

25 All in favor will say aye.

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2 (Aye.)

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
4 opposed?

5 (No response.)

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

9 The Chair recognizes Councilman
10 Rizzo.

11 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Madam
12 President, one resolution today.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
14 you.

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

17 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
18 honoring, congratulating and celebrating
19 the august legacy and important
20 contributions to the City of Philadelphia
21 of the Academy of Music on its 150th
22 anniversary.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
24 Chair recognizes Councilman Rizzo.

25 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: I move for

1 11/16/06 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS

2 the adoption of this resolution.

3 (Duly seconded.)

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

7 All in favor will say aye.

8 (Aye.)

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
10 opposed?

11 (No response.)

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
13 ayes have it and the resolution is
14 adopted.

15 The next order of business is
16 reports from committees, and the Chair
17 recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell for a
18 report from the Committee of the Whole.

19 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
20 you, Madam President. The Committee of
21 the Whole reports out five resolutions
22 with a favorable recommendation.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
24 you.

25 The Chief Clerk will please

1 11/16/06 - STATED - REPORTS

2 read the report.

3 CHIEF CLERK: To the President
4 and members of the Council of the City of
5 Philadelphia, the Committee of the Whole,
6 to which was referred Resolution No.
7 060772, entitled "A resolution confirming
8 the appointment of Richard Glazer,
9 Esquire as a member of the Board of
10 Ethics to serve in the term ending
11 November 16, 2011"; and

12 Resolution No. 060773, entitled
13 "A resolution confirming the appointment
14 of Richard Negrin, Esquire as a member of
15 the Board of Ethics to serve in the term
16 ending November 16, 2010"; and

17 Resolution 060774, "confirming
18 the appointment of Reverend Dr. Alyn
19 Waller as a member of the Board of Ethics
20 to serve in the term ending November 16,
21 2009"; and

22 Resolution No. 060775,
23 "confirming the appointment of Pauline
24 Abernathy as a member of the Board of
25 Ethics to serve in the term ending

1 11/16/06 - STATED - REPORTS

2 November 16, 2008"; and

3 Resolution No. 060776, entitled

4 "Confirming the appointment of Stella M.

5 Tsai, Esquire as a member of the Board of

6 Ethics to serve in the term ending

7 November 16, 2007," respectfully reports

8 it has considered and amended the same

9 and returns the attached resolutions to

10 Council with a favorable recommendation.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank

12 you. Resolution Nos. 060772, 060773,

13 060774, 060775 and 060776 will be

14 considered at the end of today's

15 Calendar.

16 The next order of business is

17 the consideration of the Calendar. Since

18 there are no bills on the First Reading

19 Calendar, the Chair recognizes

20 Councilwoman Blackwell for the purpose of

21 calling up bills to be considered on the

22 Second Reading and Final Passage Calendar

23 today.

24 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank

25 you, Madam President. Today our Calendar

1 11/16/06 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 begins on Page 2. We will hear Bill No.
3 060582-A at the bottom of the page. An
4 amendment will be offered for Bill No.
5 060345-A. Next our Calendar continues on
6 Page 8, at the bottom, we will hear Bill
7 No. 060625, and on the ninth page, both
8 bills, 060631 and 635. All other bills
9 are being held.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
11 you very much.

12 The Chief Clerk will please
13 read the title of Bill No. 060582-A.

14 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
15 amending Title 14 of The Philadelphia
16 code, entitled "Zoning and Planning," by
17 adding a definition and providing for day
18 care in certain commercial districts as
19 an accessory use to churches and places
20 of worship, all under certain terms and
21 conditions.

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

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2 The Chief Clerk will please
3 call the roll.

4 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
5 Blackwell.

6 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

7 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
8 Clarke.

9 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

10 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
11 DiCicco.

12 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.

13 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Goode.

14 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

15 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.

16 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.

17 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
18 Krajewski.

19 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

20 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
21 Miller.

22 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.

23 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman

24 O'Neill.

25 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.

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2 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
3 Reynolds Brown.

4 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.

5 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.

6 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

7 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman

8 Tasco.

9 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

10 CHIEF CLERK: Council President
11 Verna.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

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

16 We will now consider Bill No.
17 060345-A.

18 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
19 amending Chapter 9-600 of The
20 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Service
21 Businesses," to add new provisions to
22 prohibit the sale, from certain retail
23 establishments, of "blunts," "loosies,"
24 cigarette papers, cigars and other items
25 that may be otherwise legal but that are

1 11/16/06 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 commonly used as drug paraphernalia,
3 under certain terms and conditions.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
5 Chair recognizes Councilman O'Neill.

6 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Madam
7 President, I have an amendment to Bill
8 060345-A. The amendment has been
9 circulated to all members, and I move for
10 the adoption of the amendment.

11 (Duly seconded.)

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

15 All in favor will say aye.

16 (Aye.)

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
18 opposed?

19 (No response.)

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
21 ayes have it and the motion carries.

22 I would ask the Chief Clerk to
23 please read Bill No. 060625.

24 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance to
25 amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by

1 11/16/06 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 changing the zoning designations of
3 certain areas of land located within an
4 area bounded by Delaware Avenue, Tacony
5 Bridge, Eldridge Street, New State Road
6 and Magee Avenue.

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

11 The Chief Clerk will please
12 call the roll.

13 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
14 Blackwell.

15 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

16 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
17 Clarke.

18 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

19 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
20 DiCicco.

21 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.

22 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Goode.

23 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

24 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.

25 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.

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

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2 consideration is Bill No. 060631.

3 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
4 amending Chapter 14-400 of The
5 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Commercial
6 Entertainment District," by adding
7 requirements for, among other things,
8 transportation and parking management
9 plans, all under certain terms and
10 conditions.

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

15 The Chief Clerk will please
16 call the roll.

17 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
18 Blackwell.

19 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

20 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
21 Clarke.

22 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

23 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
24 DiCicco.

25 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.

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2 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Goode.
3 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
4 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.
5 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.
6 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
7 Krajewski.
8 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
9 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
10 Miller.
11 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
12 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
13 O'Neill.
14 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
15 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
16 Reynolds Brown.
17 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.
18 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.
19 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
20 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
21 Tasco.
22 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
23 CHIEF CLERK: Council President
24 Verna.
25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

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2 The ayes are 12; the nays are zero. A
3 majority of all members having voted in
4 the affirmative, the bill passes.

5 The last bill to be called for
6 consideration is Bill No. 060635.

7 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
8 repealing Section 2 of an ordinance, Bill
9 No. 050418, approved December 1, 2005,
10 entitled, "An ordinance to amend the
11 Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the
12 zoning designations of certain areas of
13 land."

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

18 The Chief Clerk will please
19 call the roll.

20 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
21 Blackwell.

22 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

23 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
24 Clarke.

25 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

1 11/16/06 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
3 DiCicco.
4 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.
5 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Goode.
6 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
7 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.
8 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.
9 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
10 Krajewski.
11 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
12 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
13 Miller.
14 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
15 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
16 O'Neill.
17 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
18 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
19 Reynolds Brown.
20 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.
21 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.
22 COUNCILMAN RIZZ0: Aye.
23 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
24 Tasco.
25 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

1 11/16/06 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 CHIEF CLERK: Council President
3 Verna.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
5 The ayes are 12; the nays are zero. A
6 majority of all members having voted in
7 the affirmative, the bill passes.

8 The Chief Clerk will please
9 read the title of Resolution No. 060772.

10 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
11 confirming the appointment of Richard
12 Glazer, Esquire as a member of the Board
13 of Ethics to serve in the term ending
14 November 16, 2011.

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

17 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: I move
18 for the adoption of the resolution.

19 (Duly seconded.)

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

23 All in favor will say aye.

24 (Aye.)

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those

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2 opposed?

3 (No response.)

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
5 ayes have it and the resolution is
6 adopted.

7 The Chief Clerk will please
8 read the title of Resolution No. 060773.

9 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
10 confirming the appointment of Richard
11 Negrin, Esquire as a member of the Board
12 of Ethics to serve in the term ending
13 November 16, 2010.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
15 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell.

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

19 (Duly seconded.)

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
21 has been moved and properly seconded that
22 Resolution No. 060773 be adopted.

23 All in favor will indicate by
24 saying aye.

25 (Aye.)

1 11/16/06 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
3 opposed?

4 (No response.)

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
6 ayes have it and Resolution No. 060773
7 has been adopted.

8 The Chief Clerk will please
9 read the title of Resolution No. 060774.

10 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
11 confirming the appointment of Reverend
12 Dr. Alyn Waller as a member of the Board
13 of Ethics to serve in the term ending
14 November 16, 2009.

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

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

20 (Duly seconded.)

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
22 has been moved and properly seconded that
23 Resolution No. 060774 be adopted.

24 All in favor will indicate by
25 saying aye.

1 11/16/06 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 (Aye.)

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
4 opposed?

5 (No response.)

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
7 ayes have it and Resolution No. 060774
8 has been adopted.

9 The Chief Clerk will please
10 read the title of Resolution No. 060775.

11 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
12 confirming the appointment of Pauline
13 Abernathy as a member of the Board of
14 Ethics to serve in the term ending
15 November 16, 2008.

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

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

21 (Duly seconded.)

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
23 has been moved and properly seconded that
24 Resolution No. 060775 be adopted.

25 All in favor will say aye.

1 11/16/06 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 (Aye.)

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
4 opposed?

5 (No response.)

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
7 ayes have it and Resolution No. 060775
8 has been adopted.

9 The Chief Clerk will please
10 read the title of Resolution No. 060776.

11 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
12 confirming the appointment of Stella M.
13 Tsai, Esquire as a member of the Board of
14 Ethics to serve in the term ending
15 November 16, 2007.

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

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

21 (Duly seconded.)

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
23 has been moved and properly seconded that
24 Resolution No. 060776 be adopted.

25 All in favor will please say

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2 aye.

3 (Aye.)

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
5 opposed?

6 (No response.)

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
8 ayes have it and Resolution No. 060776
9 has been adopted.

10 That completes our Calendar for
11 today.

12 Are there speeches on the part
13 of the minority?

14 (No response.)

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Are
16 there speeches on the part of the
17 majority?

18 The Chair recognizes
19 Councilwoman Blackwell.

20 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
21 you, Madam President. Today I rise to
22 mention three issues, very briefly. One
23 is that Reverend Herndon and the Church
24 of Christian Compassion on Monday at
25 First District Plaza 3801 will be serving

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2 to all those in shelters and homeless
3 people Thanksgiving dinner to some 2,000
4 people. We partner with him every year
5 and will be there to help serve, and we
6 thank the Church of Christian Compassion
7 and Reverend Herndon for his commitment
8 to people in need.

9 Also, we want to mention that
10 we were happy we worked with the
11 Controller, Alan Butkovitz, very hard on
12 the issue of full tax valuation. We're
13 happy that it has been delayed again, but
14 still feel that ultimately we would like
15 to see it considered a ballot issue so
16 that no one loses sight that this Council
17 has spoken out against tax
18 reorganization, against taxes going up
19 for the citizens we represent.

20 And, finally, the issue I
21 mention every week is that of housing
22 reorganization. Many of you know that
23 some 42 people received their notices.
24 There were 44 job postings, but, as you
25 know, those jobs were majority lower pay,

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2 which always gets back to the issue of
3 union busting, and included in this was
4 the whole issue of Vacant Property Review
5 Committee, our own John Coates. All of
6 you know we established this Committee in
7 1976 and all of the staff that serve him.
8 In fact, yesterday all of those at the
9 Vacant Property Review Committee, all
10 properties were offered for fair market
11 value, and so our Committee was not even
12 functioning such that people could get
13 properties if they had the wherewithal to
14 rent them or side yards and others that
15 we try to convey to people at nominal
16 cost.

17 So, again, we are waiting for
18 this to be resolved. We are hopeful. We
19 are told that these negotiations are
20 going away and that our John Coates and
21 people who work for this Committee that
22 Council created, that this will be
23 resolved, but we're saying again and
24 asking everybody to please continue to
25 consider what happens. We talk to the

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2 housing people every week. We still have
3 people here. As you will note, the crowd
4 has changed and is dwindling, because
5 those who aren't here have either been
6 laid off or have been forced to take a
7 layoff so that they don't use benefits in
8 the future. And as always, we say people
9 who are between 40 and retirement age,
10 who don't get Social Security, are really
11 in a bind, because it's very difficult
12 when you're 50 years old to start all
13 over again at some new job, especially in
14 a job market when they have so many new
15 people and more people coming out of
16 college, et cetera, who are unemployed.
17 So this is a very, very difficult time
18 for us in housing reorganization.

19 We continue to say that we need
20 the people who live and work and serve
21 our City to work. They don't deserve
22 what's happening to them. People don't
23 deserve, after spending more than 30
24 years and 36 years and 38 years, they
25 don't deserve to be laid off and put out,

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2 when they have given their life and their
3 energy for our City.

4 It is amazing that we get
5 anything at all done in these various
6 departments, PHDC, RDA, VPRC, OHCD, when
7 we have people there with the morale so
8 low because they've been forced to fight
9 one another, to bump down union against
10 union, and it's just a horrendous
11 condition.

12 So we'll continue to try to
13 work on it. We ask that all of you be
14 mindful of what happens, watch the
15 projects in your area, and we will
16 continue to fight on this issue.

17 Thank you, Madam President.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
19 you. Thank you very much.

20 (Applause.)

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Would
22 anyone else like to be recognized?

23 (No response.)

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Would
25 anyone else like to be recognized?

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2 (No response.)

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: I
4 would just like to remind my colleagues
5 that the Rules Committee will be having a
6 public hearing at 1 o'clock today, and I
7 would ask that you all be prompt.

8 At this time, the Chair
9 recognizes Councilwoman Tasco for a
10 motion to adjourn.

11 COUNCILWOMAN TESCO: Madam
12 President, I move that Council stand
13 adjourned until Thursday, November the
14 30th, 2006, 10:00 a.m.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Do I
16 hear a second?

17 (Duly seconded.)

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It
19 has been moved and seconded that Council
20 stand adjourned until Thursday, November
21 30th.

22 All in favor will say aye.

23 (Aye.)

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Those
25 opposed?

1 11/16/06 - STATED - ADJOURNMENT
2 (No response.)
3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
4 ayes have it and the motion carries.
5 Thank you all very much.
6 (Stated Meeting adjourned at
7 11:25 a.m.)
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