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COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA

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Room 400, City Hall
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Thursday, March 22, 2007
10:10 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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COUNCILWOMAN CAROL ANN CAMPBELL

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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 WILLIAM GREENLEE

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COUNCILMAN JACK KELLY

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COUNCILMAN JAMES F. KENNEY

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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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COUNCILMAN JUAN RAMOS

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COUNCILWOMAN BLONDELL REYNOLDS BROWN

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COUNCILMAN FRANK RIZZO

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COUNCILMAN DANIEL SAVAGE

COUNCILWOMAN MARIAN B. TASCO

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COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Good morning, everyone. I note that the 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 Dr. Arlene Churn, Founder of the Unlimited Horizons Ministry. She is here today as the guest of Councilman Goode.

I would ask all members and guests to please rise.

(Everyone rises.)

REVEREND DR. CHURN: Let us pray.

Our Father and our God, for this day we have never seen before and we shall never see again. We pause to express our gratitude and appreciation for your grace and for your mercy.

We thank thee for the angels that provided protection for us

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2 throughout the night and for the
3 traveling mercies that has allowed us to
4 arrive to this destination.

5 We bless thy name for being in
6 this hallowed and sacred hall, this
7 historical chamber, through which people
8 who have been elected and selected,
9 anointed and appointed to recognize that
10 they are here to serve this present age.

11 We lift before you our beloved
12 city, a city that's on the brink of
13 turmoil. We pray for children today,
14 children that are inexplicably confused
15 and disturbed and have grown up in
16 violence. We pray for parents, single
17 mothers and dysfunctional families. We
18 pray for our firefighters and our police
19 officers as they make their contribution
20 towards protecting our city.

21 And out of all of our efforts,
22 we recognize that there is a King of
23 Kings and there is a Lord of Lords. And
24 our only requirement, the requirement
25 that you mandate of us, is that we love

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2 our neighbors as ourselves. We ask that
3 you will then revert us back to the
4 original aspect of the foundation of this
5 city, a city of love, where we love our
6 neighbors and we love one another and we
7 love truth and justice and equality.

8 We ask that you will bless
9 individually and collectively this body,
10 who has been entrusted with the care and
11 the direction that the City must go. Let
12 them be personally and individually and
13 collectively reminded that they have a
14 charge to keep and a God to glorify. And
15 if you will allow us to extend our
16 prayers even to our nation's capital,
17 extend our prayers to those men and women
18 that are on duty in military bases and
19 assignments in protection that this
20 country may once again be one with
21 liberty and justice for all.

22 We believe in you, while many
23 call you by different names and worship
24 you in different ways. We pause today
25 recognizing that there must be a God

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2 somewhere.

3 So let us live, that when the
4 time has ended in this chamber for these
5 people and others will come and take
6 their place, let the work that they have
7 done speak for them. And when we must
8 all stick our swords in the mundane sands
9 of time to study war no more and we shall
10 stand before the Council in shekinah
11 glory, may we say, I fought a good fight,
12 I kept the faith, I finished the course,
13 and may these and others before them and
14 those in generations yet to follow will
15 hear thy voice say, Well done, thou good
16 and faithful servant.

17 Hear our prayer, oh, Lord.
18 Hear our prayer, oh, Lord. Incline thine
19 ear to us. Bless us and we shall be
20 blessed. Give us and we shall have.
21 Keep us and we shall be kept. And allow
22 our motto in life to be that if we could
23 help somebody, our living will not be in
24 vain.

25 In the name of he who created

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2 us, who provides for us and who keeps us,
3 the name of all names, we pray God, the
4 Father, and Jesus, the Christ. Amen and
5 amen.

6 (Amen.)

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
8 Chair thanks Reverend Dr. Churn for her
9 very inspiring invocation.

10 Council will be at ease.

11 (Council at ease.)

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
13 next order of business is the approval of
14 the Journal of the meeting of Thursday,
15 March 15th, 2007, and the Chair
16 recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell.

17 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
18 you, Madam President. I move that the
19 Journal of the meeting of Thursday, March
20 15, 2007 --

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
22 noise level is much, much too high.
23 We're trying to conduct business.
24 Anybody having conversations, I suggest
25 you do so in the corridor.

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2 Councilwoman Blackwell.

3 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
4 you. Again, I move that the Journal of
5 the meeting of Thursday, March 15, 2007
6 stand approved.

7 (Duly seconded.)

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
9 has been moved and properly seconded that
10 the Journal of the meeting of Thursday,
11 March 15, 2007 stand approved.

12 All in favor will say aye.

13 (Aye.)

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
15 opposed?

16 (No response.)

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
18 ayes have it, and the Journal of the
19 meeting of Thursday, March 15, 2007 is
20 approved.

21 The next order of business is
22 requests for leave of absence and, again,
23 the Chair recognizes Councilwoman
24 Blackwell.

25 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank

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2 you, Madam President. On behalf of the
3 majority, there are no requests for
4 leaves of absence today.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
6 Chair thanks the Councilwoman.

7 The Chair recognizes Councilman
8 Rizzo.

9 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Madam
10 President, the republicans, we have no
11 requests for a leave of absence.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
13 you.

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

24 At this time, the Chair
25 recognizes Councilwoman Tasco, who will

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2 present a resolution honoring the service
3 and career of Oliver St. Clair Franklin.

4 Will Mr. Franklin and those
5 accompanying him please join the
6 Councilwoman at the podium.

7 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Good
8 morning. It is indeed a great pleasure
9 to present this resolution to a friend
10 and hard-working gentleman on behalf of
11 Philadelphia and for Philadelphia.

12 Honoring the service and career
13 of Oliver St. Clair Franklin.

14 Whereas, the Council of the
15 City of Philadelphia is pleased and proud
16 to honor Mr. Oliver St. Clair Franklin
17 for his service as the President and CEO
18 of the International House, the largest
19 international community in the State of
20 Pennsylvania and the founding
21 International House, a seventeen,
22 four-continent network of international
23 houses, as well as his service as
24 Honorary British Consul; and

25 Whereas, Mr. Franklin was born

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2 in Washington, DC and raised in
3 Baltimore, Maryland. He was educated in
4 Lincoln University in Pennsylvania and
5 Oxford University in England; and

6 Whereas, Mr. Franklin was the
7 Deputy City Representative of the City of
8 Philadelphia and the City's first Chief
9 of Protocol in the Administration of
10 Mayor W. Wilson Goode; and

11 Whereas, in 1998, Mr. Franklin
12 was appointed the Honorary British
13 Consul. He became the first
14 African-American in the United States to
15 represent Great Britain diplomatically as
16 the United States' first British
17 Consulate. In his role as Honorary
18 Consul, Mr. Franklin assisted British
19 companies and citizens while representing
20 contemporary Britain to the citizens of
21 Philadelphia. As Honorary Consul,
22 Mr. Franklin works closely with the
23 36-member Philadelphia Consular Corp,
24 America's first and longest-serving
25 diplomatic organization; and

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2 Whereas, in 1998, Mr. Franklin,
3 in cooperation with Lord Peter Walker,
4 found the City Fellows Trust, a program
5 that provided opportunities for
6 minorities in the field of financial
7 service to work in London; and

8 Whereas, in 2003, as a result
9 of the invitation of Mr. Franklin, His
10 Royal Highness Duke of York, Prince
11 Andrew, second son of Queen Elizabeth,
12 II, visited Philadelphia to help launch
13 the Jubilee Program. The program sent
14 students from Simon Gratz High School and
15 Parkway High School for Peace and Social
16 Justice to visit London after a year-long
17 after-school program; and

18 Whereas, in 2003, Her Majesty
19 the Queen bestowed upon Mr. Franklin the
20 order of the Office of the British
21 Empire, OBE, for service to Britain. In
22 2004, as a result of the invitation of
23 Mr. Franklin, His Royal Highness the Duke
24 of Gloucester, Prince Richard and first
25 cousin of the Queen, visited Philadelphia

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2 to study our public education system; and

3 Whereas, most recently, in

4 January 2007, as a result of the

5 invitation of Mr. Franklin, Mrs. Walter

6 Annenburg and others, the City of

7 Philadelphia welcomed Their Royal

8 Highnesses the Prince of Wales and the

9 Dutchess of Cornwall. This was the first

10 visit of the Prince of Wales to

11 Philadelphia in 147 years. Their Royal

12 Highnesses experienced a broad

13 cross-section of Philadelphia, including

14 a mural arts tour in Mantua, a reception

15 at the Constitutional Center, a visit to

16 Independence Hall and the Liberty Bell, a

17 panel discussion and visit with the

18 International House residents, the 150th

19 anniversary celebration of the Academy of

20 Music, a public church service and a

21 private train ride to New York with

22 several prominent citizens to discuss

23 Philadelphia's approach to urban renewal;

24 and

25 Whereas, the visit to

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2 Philadelphia by the future King of
3 England and his wife will remain in the
4 hearts and memories of the citizens of
5 Philadelphia for so many years to come.

6 Now therefore resolved, by the
7 Council of the City of Philadelphia, that
8 we recognize and congratulate Mr. Oliver
9 St. Clair Franklin for his service and
10 career to the City of Philadelphia.

11 Further resolved, that an
12 engrossed copy of this resolution be
13 presented to Mr. Oliver St. Clair
14 Franklin as evidence of the sincere
15 sentiments of this legislative body.

16 Certification that this is a
17 true and correct copy of the original
18 resolution, adopted by the Council of the
19 City of Philadelphia on the 1st day of
20 February 2007. Signed by President Anna
21 Verna and supported by all members of
22 City Council.

23 (Applause.)

24 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO:

25 Mr. Franklin was very gracious in his

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2 outreach to the Philadelphia community
3 and certainly made sure that all of the
4 members of Council and representatives of
5 government had the opportunity to meet
6 the Prince of Wales, which was an
7 exciting event, and I want to say thank
8 you, and he was certainly a gracious,
9 friendly person.

10 Thank you.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
12 Chair recognizes Mr. Franklin for
13 remarks.

14 MR. FRANKLIN: Thank you, Madam
15 President, and thank you, Councilwoman
16 and members of this Council.

17 When the Prince of Wales came
18 to Philadelphia about six weeks ago, this
19 City received more positive press in
20 Britain, France, Italy, Germany and
21 throughout Asia than all the money that
22 we've spent at the Convention and
23 Visitors Bureau. And they came in to
24 visit with me and my staff two weeks
25 after the Prince left and said this was a

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2 wonderful thing for this City.

3 We believe as a result of this
4 trip we're going to see an influx of
5 visitors from Europe who will come and
6 visit our city, and this is a positive
7 thing for us.

8 We are an international city.
9 We can be an international city by having
10 international visitors. And I can tell
11 you that the Prince of Wales and the
12 Dutchess of Cornwall were so pleased by
13 the reception that they received from all
14 Philadelphians that I don't think we're
15 going to have any problems getting
16 world-class people to come to
17 Philadelphia to see the great things we
18 have to offer.

19 So, again, I thank you. And I
20 thank Councilman Rizzo in particular for
21 driving a Jaguar. You know that's a
22 British car owned by Ford, but I think he
23 has two.

24 So I thank you all very much.

25 Thank you.

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
3 you.

4 (Applause.)

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:
6 Council will be at ease.

7 (Council at ease.)

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
9 next order of business is communications,
10 and the Chair recognizes the
11 Sergeant-At-Arms and I would ask him to
12 deliver the messages to the Chief Clerk
13 from the Mayor.

14 The Chief Clerk will please
15 read the messages from the Mayor.

16 CHIEF CLERK: To the President
17 and members of the Council of the City of
18 Philadelphia, I am pleased to advise you
19 that on March 21, 2007, I signed all of
20 the bills that were passed by Council at
21 its session on March 8, 2007, except Bill
22 No. 060828, and I am returning herewith
23 as disapproved Bill No. 060828 passed by
24 Council on March 1, 2007; and

25 I am transmitting herewith for

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2 the consideration of your honorable body
3 an ordinance authorizing the Commissioner
4 of Public Property to execute and deliver
5 to the Philadelphia Authority for
6 Industrial Development a deed located
7 4000 Main Street in the City of
8 Philadelphia; and

9 I am transmitting for the
10 consideration of your honorable body a
11 resolution approving the redevelopment
12 contract and disposition supplement of
13 the Redevelopment Authority for the
14 redevelopment and urban renewal of a
15 portion of the 44th and Aspen Urban
16 Renewal Area; and

17 An ordinance constituting the
18 Seventh Supplemental Ordinance to the
19 Amended and Restated General Airport
20 Revenue Bond Ordinance; and

21 An ordinance authorizing the
22 Director of Commerce to enter into a use
23 and lease agreement between the City of
24 Philadelphia and each of the airlines
25 servicing Philadelphia International

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2 Airport.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
4 you. The messages will be printed in the
5 Journal.

6 The Chief Clerk will please
7 read any other communications in her
8 possession.

9 CHIEF CLERK: That's all I
10 have, Madam President.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
12 you.

13 The next order of business is
14 the introduction of bills and
15 resolutions, and the Chair recognizes
16 Councilwoman Blackwell for a motion.

17 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
18 you, Madam President. I move that the
19 rules of Council be suspended so as to
20 permit first reading this day of
21 resolutions at their time of
22 introduction.

23 (Duly seconded.)

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

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

5 All in favor will indicate by
6 saying aye.

7 (Aye.)

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
9 opposed?

10 (No response.)

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

13 The Chair recognizes Councilman
14 Kenney.

15 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you,
16 Madam President. I offer three
17 resolutions.

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

21 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
22 authorizing the Council Committee on the
23 Environment to conduct hearings on the
24 feasibility and desirability of mandating
25 the use of biofuels for the City's fleet

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2 of cars and trucks and in school buses
3 operated by the Philadelphia School
4 District.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
6 Chair recognizes Councilman Kenney for a
7 motion.

8 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: I move the
9 adoption of the resolution.

10 (Duly seconded.)

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

14 All in favor will say aye.

15 (Aye.)

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
17 opposed?

18 (No response.)

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
20 ayes have it and the resolution is
21 adopted.

22 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
23 authorizing the Committee on the
24 Environment to hold public hearings
25 investigating the long-term benefits of

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2 replacing cement sidewalks with rubber
3 sidewalks in select areas.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
5 Chair again recognizes Councilman Kenney.

6 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: I move the
7 adoption of the resolution.

8 (Duly seconded.)

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

12 All in favor will say aye.

13 (Aye.)

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
15 opposed?

16 (No response.)

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
18 ayes have it. The resolution is adopted
19 and will be referred to the appropriate
20 committee.

21 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
22 authorizing the Committee on the
23 Environment to hold public hearings to
24 investigate how the City of Philadelphia
25 could establish a green roof initiative

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2 including municipal buildings, affordable
3 housing and by way of grants for
4 homeowners.

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

7 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: I move the
8 adoption of the resolution.

9 (Duly seconded.)

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

13 All in favor will say aye.

14 (Aye.)

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
16 opposed?

17 (No response.)

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
19 ayes have it. The resolution is adopted
20 and will be referred to the appropriate
21 committee.

22 The Chair recognizes
23 Councilwoman Blackwell.

24 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
25 you, Madam President. Today I introduce

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2 two resolutions, one co-sponsored by
3 Councilman Kenney.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
5 you.

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

8 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
9 honoring James J. Binns for years of
10 practice in the Philadelphia legal
11 community, his support of the City's
12 charitable institutions and the
13 establishment of the Hero Plaque Program
14 commemorating police and firefighters
15 killed in the line of duty.

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 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 approving the redevelopment contract and
11 disposition supplement of the
12 Redevelopment Authority for the
13 redevelopment and urban renewal of a
14 portion of the 44th and Aspen Urban
15 Renewal Area.

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 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 Greenlee.

11 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Thank
12 you, Madam President. I offer one bill.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
14 you.

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

17 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
18 amending Title 12 of The Philadelphia
19 Code, entitled "Traffic Code," by
20 requiring that the pedestrian crossing
21 time at certain intersections be adjusted
22 to account for the increased time
23 required by elderly and disabled
24 pedestrians to traverse streets, adding
25 definitions and making certain technical

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2 changes, all under certain terms and
3 conditions.

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

7 The Chair recognizes
8 Councilwoman Krajewski.

9 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Thank
10 you, Madam President. I offer one bill.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
12 you.

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

15 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
16 establishing a "No Truck Parking"
17 regulation on Robbins Avenue between
18 Algard Street and Cottage Street.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This
20 bill will be referred to the appropriate
21 committee, and the Chair recognizes
22 Councilwoman Tasco.

23 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Madam
24 President, I offer one resolution.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank

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2 you.

3 The Chief Clerk will please
4 read the title of the resolution.

5 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
6 calling on the Pennsylvania General
7 Assembly to enact the legislation
8 proposed by the Pennsylvania Department
9 of Banking with its Mortgage Foreclosure
10 Advisory Committee for the protection of
11 the citizens of Philadelphia from
12 predatory home loans that strip away
13 hard-earned home equity, trap borrowers
14 in excessive interest rates and
15 frequently cause families to lose their
16 homes.

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 The Chair recognizes
10 Councilwoman Miller.

11 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Thank
12 you, Madam President. Today I have no
13 bills or resolutions.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
15 Chair thanks the Councilwoman.

16 The Chair recognizes Councilman
17 Savage.

18 COUNCILMAN SAVAGE: Thank you,
19 Madam President. There has been a
20 change. I have no bills or resolutions
21 for today.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
23 you.

24 The Chair recognizes Councilman
25 DiCicco.

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2 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Thank you,
3 Madam President. I offer one bill.

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

7 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
8 amending Section 12-2708 of The
9 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Issuance of
10 Temporary Parking Permits," by adding
11 provisions for temporary parking permits
12 valid for one calendar day, all under
13 certain terms and conditions.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This
15 bill will be referred to the appropriate
16 committee, and the Chair recognizes
17 Councilwoman Brown.

18 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Thank you,
19 Madam President. I offer no bills or
20 resolutions today.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
22 you.

23 The Chair recognizes Councilman
24 Goode.

25 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you,

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2 Madam President. I have no bills or
3 resolutions today.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
5 Chair thanks the gentleman.

6 The Chair recognizes Councilman
7 Ramos.

8 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Thank you,
9 Madam President. I offer no bills or
10 resolutions today.

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

13 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Thank
14 you, Madam President. I offer three
15 resolutions.

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank
17 you.

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

20 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
21 authorizing City Council's Committee on
22 the Disabled and the Handicapped to hold
23 hearings to investigate and determine how
24 many disabled and/or handicapped
25 school-age children are transported to

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2 and from school under the supervision of
3 the Philadelphia School Reform
4 Commission.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
6 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Campbell.

7 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: I move
8 for the adoption.

9 (Duly seconded.)

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

13 All in favor will say aye.

14 (Aye.)

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Those
16 opposed?

17 (No response.)

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
19 ayes have it. The resolution has been
20 adopted and will be referred to the
21 appropriate committee.

22 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
23 authorizing City Council's Committee on
24 Transportation and Public Utilities to
25 determine the safety of our public school

1 3/22/07 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS

2 children who are transported to and from
3 school in school buses not equipped with
4 seat belt restraints.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
6 Chair again recognizes Councilwoman
7 Campbell.

8 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: I move
9 for the adoption of the resolution.

10 (Duly seconded.)

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

14 All in favor will say aye.

15 (Aye.)

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
17 opposed?

18 (No response.)

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
20 ayes have it. The resolution is adopted
21 and will be referred to the appropriate
22 committee.

23 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
24 authorizing City Council's Committee on
25 Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs to

1 3/22/07 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS

2 determine the feasibility of the
3 Department of Parks and Recreation
4 partnering with the Philadelphia School
5 Board for the purpose of developing
6 community-run recreation programs in
7 public school facilities.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
9 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Campbell.

10 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: I move
11 for the adoption of the 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. The resolution is adopted
23 and will be referred to the appropriate
24 committee.

25 The Chair recognizes Councilman

1 3/22/07 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS

2 O'Neill.

3 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Madam

4 President, I have no bills or

5 resolutions.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

7 Chair thanks the gentleman.

8 The Chair recognizes Councilman

9 Clarke.

10 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Madam

11 President, I have two bills.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

13 Chief Clerk will please read the title of

14 the first bill.

15 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance

16 amending Chapter 19-1300 of The

17 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Real Estate

18 Taxes," to provide for a homestead

19 exemption with respect to City real

20 property tax, under certain terms and

21 conditions.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

23 bill will be referred to the appropriate

24 committee.

25 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance

1 3/22/07 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS

2 granting permission to Alfredo Aguilar,
3 owner of the property 426-28 West Girard
4 Avenue, to operate and maintain an
5 open-air sidewalk cafe.

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

9 The Chair recognizes Councilman
10 Kelly.

11 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Madam
12 President, no bills or resolutions today.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
14 you.

15 The Chair recognizes Councilman
16 Rizzo.

17 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Madam
18 President, no bills or resolutions today.
19 Thank you.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
21 you.

22 The next order of business is
23 reports from committees, and the Chair
24 recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell for a
25 report from the Finance Committee.

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2 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
3 you, Madam President. The Committee on
4 Finance reports out eight bills with a
5 favorable recommendation and one bill
6 with no recommendation.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
8 you.

9 The Chief Clerk will please
10 read the report.

11 CHIEF CLERK: To the President
12 and members of the Council of the City of
13 Philadelphia, the Committee on Finance,
14 to which was referred Bill No. 060052,
15 entitled "An ordinance amending Section
16 19-201 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled
17 'City Depositories,' by revoking the
18 depository status of Wachovia Bank and
19 revising the list of City depositories,
20 under certain terms and conditions,"
21 respectfully reports it has considered
22 the same and returns the attached bill to
23 Council with no recommendation; and

24 The Committee on Finance, to
25 which was referred Bill No. 060389,

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2 entitled "An ordinance authorizing the
3 Philadelphia Authority for Industrial
4 Development to file an application with
5 the Office of the Budget in an amount not
6 to exceed \$1 million to assist in the
7 development of the Maria de los Santos
8 Health Center"; and

9 Bill No. 070072, entitled "An
10 ordinance amending Chapter 19-2604 of The
11 Philadelphia Code, entitled 'Business
12 Privilege Taxes,' by providing a green
13 roofs tax credit"; and

14 Bill No. 070073, entitled "An
15 ordinance amending Chapter 19-1300 of The
16 Philadelphia Code, entitled 'Real Estate
17 Taxes,' to provide a credit against the
18 tax for owners of condominiums and
19 cooperatives who do not receive regular
20 City refuse, recycling and bulk item
21 collection services"; and

22 Bill No. 070089, entitled "An
23 ordinance authorizing the Philadelphia
24 Authority for Industrial Development to
25 file an application with the Office of

1 3/22/07 - STATED - REPORTS

2 the Budget in an amount not to exceed \$1
3 million to assist in the conversion of
4 the former Wills Eye Hospital in
5 Philadelphia"; and

6 Bill No. 070090, entitled "An
7 ordinance authorizing the Philadelphia
8 Authority for Industrial Development to
9 file an application with the Office of
10 the Budget in an amount not to exceed \$2
11 million to assist in the development of
12 WHYY Learning Lab"; and

13 Bill No. 070091, entitled "An
14 ordinance amending Chapter 19-200 of The
15 Philadelphia Code by authorizing the City
16 Treasurer to deposit funds in Sovereign
17 Bank"; and

18 Bill No. 070150, entitled "An
19 ordinance amending Bill No. 060378,
20 entitled 'An ordinance approving the
21 Fiscal Year 2007 Capital Budget providing
22 for expenditures for the capital purposes
23 of the Philadelphia Gas Works'"; and

24 Bill No. 070169, entitled "An
25 ordinance authorizing the Philadelphia

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2 Authority for Industrial Development to
3 file an application with the Office of
4 the Budget in an amount not to exceed
5 \$2,100,000 to assist in the development
6 of the Jewish Employment and Vocational
7 Services," respectfully reports it has
8 considered the same and returns the
9 attached bills to Council with a
10 favorable recommendation.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
12 you.

13 The Chair recognizes
14 Councilwoman Blackwell.

15 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
16 you, Madam President. I move that the
17 rules of Council be suspended so as to
18 permit first reading this day of Bill
19 Nos. 060052, 389, Bill No. 070072, 73,
20 089, 090, 91, 150 and 169.

21 (Duly seconded.)

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
23 has been moved and properly seconded that
24 the rules of Council be suspended so as
25 to permit first reading this day of the

1 3/22/07 - STATED - REPORTS

2 bills just reported from committee.

3 All in favor will say aye.

4 (Aye.)

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
6 opposed?

7 (No response.)

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
9 ayes have it and the bills just read will
10 be placed on our First Reading Calendar
11 for today.

12 The Chair recognizes Councilman
13 Greenlee for a report from the Committee
14 on Law and Government.

15 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Thank
16 you, Madam President. The Committee on
17 Law and Government reports one bill and
18 one resolution with a favorable
19 recommendation.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
21 you.

22 The Chief Clerk will please
23 read the report.

24 CHIEF CLERK: To the President
25 and members of the Council of the City of

1 3/22/07 - STATED - REPORTS
2 Philadelphia, the Committee on Law and
3 Government, to which was referred Bill
4 No. 070117, entitled "An ordinance
5 providing for the submission to the
6 qualified electors of the City of
7 Philadelphia of an amendment to Article
8 VIII, Chapter 5 of the Philadelphia Home
9 Rule Charter, entitled 'Referenda
10 Approved by the Voters,' by adding a new
11 section providing that the citizens of
12 Philadelphia urge the Pennsylvania Public
13 Utility Commission to deny the
14 Philadelphia Gas Works' 2006 request for
15 a base rate increase"; and
16 Resolution No. 070129, entitled
17 "A resolution proposing an amendment to
18 Article VIII, Chapter 5 of the
19 Philadelphia Home Rule Charter, entitled
20 'Referenda Approved by the Voters,' by
21 adding a new section providing that the
22 citizens of Philadelphia urge the
23 Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission to
24 deny the Philadelphia Gas Works' 2006
25 request for a base rate increase,"

1 3/22/07 - STATED - REPORTS

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

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
7 you.

8 The Chair recognizes Councilman
9 Greenlee.

10 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Thank
11 you, Madam President. I move that the
12 rules of Council be suspended so as to
13 permit first reading this day of Bill No.
14 070117.

15 (Duly seconded.)

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
17 has been moved and properly seconded that
18 the rules of Council be suspended so as
19 to permit first reading this day of the
20 bill just reported out of committee.

21 All in favor will say aye.

22 (Aye.)

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
24 opposed?

25 (No response.)

1 3/22/07 - STATED - RECONSIDERATION OF BILL

2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
3 ayes have it, and the bill just read will
4 be placed on our First Reading Calendar
5 for today. Resolution No. 070129 will be
6 placed on our Second Reading and Final
7 Passage Calendar for our next session of
8 Council.

9 We now have a special order of
10 business. Council will now proceed under
11 a special order of business to the
12 reconsideration of Bill No. 060828. This
13 bill was passed by the Council at its
14 March 8, 2007 session and was returned
15 disapproved by the Mayor at today's
16 session of Council.

17 At this time, the Chair
18 recognizes Councilman Kenney.

19 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you,
20 Madam President. I move that the Council
21 reconsider Bill No. 060828, which was
22 unanimously approved by City Council on
23 March 8, 2007.

24 (Duly seconded.)

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: All

1 3/22/07 - STATED - RECONSIDERATION OF BILL

2 in favor let it be known by saying aye.

3 (Aye.)

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
5 opposed?

6 (No response.)

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
8 motion carries. Council will now
9 reconsider the vote by which Bill No.
10 060828 was passed.

11 The Chief Clerk will please
12 read the title of the bill.

13 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
14 amending Section 22-311 of The
15 Philadelphia Code, entitled
16 "Cost-of-Living Measures for Retirees,
17 Beneficiaries and Survivors," by amending
18 the provisions governing when deposits
19 are made into the Pension Adjustment
20 Fund, all under certain terms and
21 conditions.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This
23 bill having been read on two different
24 days was duly approved by City Council on
25 March the 8th, 2007 and was returned to

1 3/22/07 - STATED - RECONSIDERATION OF BILL
2 Council by the Mayor as disapproved at
3 today's session of Council. The question
4 is shall Bill No. 060828 pass
5 notwithstanding the Mayor's disapproval.

6 Please note that a vote of aye
7 is a vote to override the Mayor's veto
8 and a vote of no is a vote to sustain the
9 Mayor's veto.

10 At this time, I would ask the
11 Chief Clerk to please call the roll.

12 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
13 Blackwell.

14 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

15 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
16 Campbell.

17 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Aye.

18 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
19 Clarke.

20 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

21 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
22 DiCicco.

23 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.

24 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Goode.

25 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

1 3/22/07 - STATED - RECONSIDERATION OF BILL
2 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
3 Greenlee.
4 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Aye.
5 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.
6 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.
7 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
8 Kenney.
9 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
10 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
11 Krajewski.
12 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
13 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
14 Miller.
15 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
16 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
17 O'Neill.
18 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
19 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Ramos.
20 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Aye.
21 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
22 Reynolds Brown.
23 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.
24 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.
25 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

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2 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman

3 Savage.

4 COUNCILMAN SAVAGE: Aye.

5 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman

6 Tasco.

7 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

8 CHIEF CLERK: Council President

9 Verna.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

11 The ayes are 17; the nays are zero.

12 Two-thirds majority of all members having
13 voted in the affirmative, the Mayor's
14 veto is overridden.

15 The next order of business will
16 be the consideration of the Calendar. I
17 would ask the Chief Clerk to please read
18 the bills on the First Reading Calendar.

19 CHIEF CLERK: Bill No. 060052,
20 an ordinance amending Section 19-201 of
21 The Philadelphia Code, entitled "City
22 Depositories," by revoking the depository
23 status of Wachovia Bank.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
25 Chair agrees.

1 3/22/07 - STATED - 1ST READING

2 CHIEF CLERK: And Bill No.
3 060389, an ordinance authorizing the
4 Philadelphia Authority for Industrial
5 Development to file an application with
6 the Office of the Budget in an amount not
7 to exceed \$1 million to assist in the
8 development of the Maria de los Santos
9 Health Center.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
11 Chair agrees.

12 CHIEF CLERK: And Bill No.
13 070072, an ordinance amending Chapter
14 19-2604 of The Philadelphia Code,
15 entitled "Business Privilege Taxes," by
16 providing a green roof tax credit.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
18 Chair agrees.

19 CHIEF CLERK: And Bill No.
20 070073, an ordinance amending Chapter
21 19-1300 of The Philadelphia Code,
22 entitled "Real Estate Taxes," to provide
23 a credit against the tax for owners of
24 condominiums and cooperatives who do not
25 receive regular City refuse.

1 3/22/07 - STATED - 1ST READING

2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
3 Chair agrees.

4 CHIEF CLERK: And Bill No.
5 070089, an ordinance authorizing the
6 Philadelphia Authority for Industrial
7 Development to file an application with
8 the Office of the Budget in an amount not
9 to exceed \$1 million in the conversion of
10 the former Wills Eye Hospital in
11 Philadelphia.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
13 Chair agrees.

14 CHIEF CLERK: And Bill No.
15 070090, an ordinance authorizing the
16 Philadelphia Authority for Industrial
17 Development to file an application with
18 the Office of the Budget in an amount not
19 to exceed \$2 million to assist in the
20 development of WHY Learning Lab.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
22 Chair agrees.

23 CHIEF CLERK: And Bill No.
24 070091, an ordinance amending Chapter
25 19-200 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled

1 3/22/07 - STATED - 1ST READING

2 "City Funds - Deposits, Investments,
3 Disbursements," by authorizing the City
4 Treasurer to deposit funds in Sovereign
5 Bank.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
7 Chair agrees.

8 CHIEF CLERK: And Bill No.
9 070150, an ordinance amending Bill No.
10 060378, entitled "An ordinance approving
11 the Fiscal Year 2007 Capital Budget
12 providing for expenditures for the
13 capital purposes of the Philadelphia Gas
14 Works."

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
16 Chair agrees.

17 CHIEF CLERK: And Bill No.
18 070169, an ordinance authorizing the
19 Philadelphia Authority for Industrial
20 Development to file an application with
21 the Office of the Budget in an amount not
22 to exceed \$2,100,000 to assist in the
23 development of the Jewish Employment and
24 Vocational Services.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

1 3/22/07 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 begins on Page 2 where we will consider
3 Bill No. 060902-AA, 060901-A. We skip
4 over then to Page 8 where we will
5 consider at the bottom Bill No. 060957
6 and on Page 9, the last page, Bill Nos.
7 070121, 122, 123 and 070077. All other
8 bills are being held.

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
10 you very much.

11 I would ask the Chief Clerk to
12 please read the title of Bill No.
13 060902-AA.

14 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
15 amending Title 14 of The Philadelphia
16 Code, entitled "Zoning and Planning," by
17 adopting a new Section 14-217, entitled
18 "Industrial Transformation District,"
19 under certain terms and conditions.

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

24 The Chief Clerk will please
25 call the roll.

1 3/22/07 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
3 Blackwell.
4 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.
5 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
6 Campbell.
7 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Aye.
8 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
9 Clarke.
10 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.
11 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
12 DiCicco.
13 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.
14 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Goode.
15 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
16 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
17 Greenlee.
18 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Aye.
19 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.
20 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.
21 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
22 Kenney.
23 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
24 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
25 Krajewski.

1 3/22/07 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
3 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
4 Miller.
5 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
6 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
7 O'Neill.
8 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
9 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Ramos.
10 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Aye.
11 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
12 Reynolds Brown.
13 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.
14 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.
15 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
16 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
17 Savage.
18 COUNCILMAN SAVAGE: Aye.
19 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
20 Tasco.
21 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
22 CHIEF CLERK: Council President
23 Verna.
24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
25 The ayes are 17; the nays are zero. A

1 3/22/07 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 majority of all members having voted in
3 the affirmative, this bill passes.

4 We will now consider Bill No.
5 060901-A.

6 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance to
7 amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by
8 changing the zoning designations of
9 certain areas of land located within an
10 area bounded by Girard Avenue,
11 Pennsylvania Avenue, 32nd Street, a
12 Railroad Right-of-Way, Oxford Street and
13 30th Street.

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: Councilwoman
24 Campbell.

25 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Aye.

1 3/22/07 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
3 Clarke.
4 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.
5 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
6 DiCicco.
7 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.
8 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Goode.
9 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
10 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
11 Greenlee.
12 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Aye.
13 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.
14 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.
15 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
16 Kenney.
17 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
18 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
19 Krajewski.
20 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
21 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
22 Miller.
23 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
24 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
25 O'Neill.

1 3/22/07 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.

3 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Ramos.

4 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Aye.

5 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman

6 Reynolds Brown.

7 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.

8 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.

9 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

10 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman

11 Savage.

12 COUNCILMAN SAVAGE: Aye.

13 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman

14 Tasco.

15 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

16 CHIEF CLERK: Council President

17 Verna.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

19 The ayes are 17; the nays are zero. A

20 majority of all members having voted in

21 the affirmative, this bill passes.

22 We will now consider Bill No.

23 060957.

24 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance

25 approving the Municipal Statement of

1 3/22/07 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 Revival of the Frankford Special Services
3 District of Philadelphia, all under
4 certain terms and conditions.

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

9 The Chief Clerk will please
10 call the roll.

11 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
12 Blackwell.

13 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

14 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
15 Campbell.

16 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Aye.

17 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
18 Clarke.

19 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

20 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
21 DiCicco.

22 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.

23 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Goode.

24 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

25 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman

1 3/22/07 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 Greenlee.
3 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Aye.
4 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.
5 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.
6 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
7 Kenney.
8 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: 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: Councilman Ramos.
19 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Aye.
20 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
21 Reynolds Brown.
22 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.
23 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.
24 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
25 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman

1 3/22/07 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 Savage.

3 COUNCILMAN SAVAGE: Aye.

4 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman

5 Tasco.

6 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

7 CHIEF CLERK: Council President

8 Verna.

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

10 The ayes are 17; the nays are zero. A
11 majority of all members having voted in
12 the affirmative, the bill passes.

13 We will now consider Bill No.
14 070121.

15 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
16 authorizing transfers in
17 appropriations --

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: We're
19 trying to conduct business. I would ask
20 everyone to please be quiet. If you're
21 having conversation, do so in the
22 corridor.

23 I would ask the Chief Clerk to
24 please proceed.

25 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance

1 3/22/07 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 authorizing transfers in appropriations
3 for Fiscal Year 2007 within the Housing
4 Trust Fund to certain or all City
5 offices, departments, boards and
6 commissions.

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: Councilwoman
17 Campbell.

18 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Aye.

19 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
20 Clarke.

21 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

22 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
23 DiCicco.

24 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.

25 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Goode.

1 3/22/07 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
3 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
4 Greenlee.
5 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Aye.
6 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.
7 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.
8 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
9 Kenney.
10 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
11 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
12 Krajewski.
13 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
14 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
15 Miller.
16 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
17 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
18 O'Neill.
19 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
20 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Ramos.
21 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Aye.
22 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
23 Reynolds Brown.
24 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.
25 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.

1 3/22/07 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

3 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman

4 Savage.

5 COUNCILMAN SAVAGE: Aye.

6 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman

7 Tasco.

8 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

9 CHIEF CLERK: Council President

10 Verna.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

12 The ayes are 17; the nays are zero. A
13 majority of all members having voted in
14 the affirmative, the bill passes.

15 I would ask the Chief Clerk to
16 please read the title of Bill No. 070122.

17 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
18 authorizing transfers in appropriations
19 for Fiscal Year 2007 within the Aviation
20 Fund to certain or all City offices,
21 departments, boards and commissions.

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.

1 3/22/07 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 The Chief Clerk will please
3 call the roll.

4 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
5 Blackwell.

6 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

7 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
8 Campbell.

9 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Aye.

10 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
11 Clarke.

12 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

13 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
14 DiCicco.

15 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.

16 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Goode.

17 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

18 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
19 Greenlee.

20 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Aye.

21 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.

22 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.

23 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
24 Kenney.

25 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

1 3/22/07 - STATED - 2ND READING
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: Councilman Ramos.
12 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Aye.
13 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
14 Reynolds Brown.
15 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.
16 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.
17 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
18 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
19 Savage.
20 COUNCILMAN SAVAGE: Aye.
21 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
22 Tasco.
23 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
24 CHIEF CLERK: Council President
25 Verna.

1 3/22/07 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

3 The ayes are 17 -- excuse me, sir.

4 The ayes are 17; the nays are
5 zero. A majority of all members having
6 voted in the affirmative, the bill
7 passes.

8 We will now consider Bill No.
9 070123.

10 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
11 authorizing transfers in appropriations
12 for Fiscal Year 2007 from the General
13 Fund and from the Grants Revenue Fund to
14 the General Fund, certain or all City
15 offices, departments, boards and
16 commissions.

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

21 The Chief Clerk will please
22 call the roll.

23 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
24 Blackwell.

25 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

1 3/22/07 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
3 Campbell.
4 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Aye.
5 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
6 Clarke.
7 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.
8 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
9 DiCicco.
10 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.
11 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Goode.
12 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
13 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
14 Greenlee.
15 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Aye.
16 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.
17 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.
18 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
19 Kenney.
20 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
21 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
22 Krajewski.
23 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
24 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
25 Miller.

1 3/22/07 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
3 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
4 O'Neill.
5 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
6 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Ramos.
7 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Aye.
8 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
9 Reynolds Brown.
10 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.
11 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.
12 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
13 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
14 Savage.
15 COUNCILMAN SAVAGE: 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 17; the nays are zero. A
23 majority of all members having voted in
24 the affirmative, the bill passes.
25 I would ask the Chief Clerk to

1 3/22/07 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 please read the title of Bill No. 070077.
3 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
4 authorizing the President of Fairmount
5 Park Commission and the Executive
6 Director of Fairmount Park to enter into
7 a lease agreement between the City of
8 Philadelphia as landlord and the Center
9 City District as tenant, commonly
10 referred to as Three Parkway Plaza, under
11 certain terms and conditions.
12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: This
13 bill having been read on two different
14 days, the question now is shall the bill
15 pass finally.
16 The Chief Clerk will please
17 call the roll.
18 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
19 Blackwell.
20 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.
21 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
22 Campbell.
23 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Aye.
24 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
25 Clarke.

1 3/22/07 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.
3 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
4 DiCicco.
5 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.
6 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Goode.
7 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
8 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
9 Greenlee.
10 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Aye.
11 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.
12 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.
13 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
14 Kenney.
15 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
16 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
17 Krajewski.
18 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
19 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
20 Miller.
21 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
22 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
23 O'Neill.
24 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
25 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Ramos.

1 3/22/07 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Aye.
3 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
4 Reynolds Brown.
5 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.
6 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.
7 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
8 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
9 Savage.
10 COUNCILMAN SAVAGE: Aye.
11 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
12 Tasco.
13 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
14 CHIEF CLERK: Council President
15 Verna.
16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
17 The ayes are 17; the nays are zero. A
18 majority of all members having voted in
19 the affirmative, this bill passes.
20 That concludes our Calendar for
21 today.
22 Are there speeches on the part
23 of the minority?
24 (No response.)
25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Are

1 3/22/07 - STATED - SPEECHES

2 there speeches on the part of the
3 majority?

4 The Chair recognizes
5 Councilwoman Brown.

6 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: I thank
7 you, Madam President. On this occasion
8 of the Annual Celebration of Women's
9 History Month, I would like to once again
10 extend an invitation to all to our Ninth
11 Annual Women Making a Difference that
12 will once again be held down at the
13 Penn's Hyatt Hotel. Our 2007 awardees
14 are Geneva Black, the Executive Director
15 of the Haddington Multi-Services for
16 Older Adults; Della Clark, the Executive
17 Director of the Enterprise Center; Karen
18 Davis, the President and CEO of the Arts
19 and Business Council; Varsovia Fernandez,
20 the Executive Director of the Hispanic
21 Chamber of Commerce; and Patricia
22 Giorgio-Fox, the First Deputy Police
23 Commissioner and first female Deputy
24 Police Commissioner of the City of
25 Philadelphia.

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2 opportunities is among the most important
3 actions we can take as a city." Those
4 are the words of John Street. I attended
5 that press conference and as the only
6 member of Council present, I was publicly
7 asked by the Mayor for a commitment to
8 support more local resources for public
9 schools. I committed then and I remain
10 committed now.

11 On December 11, 2006, Mayor
12 John F. Street testified in City Council
13 before the joint Committees on Finance
14 and Education on resolutions dealing with
15 School District finances, truancy and the
16 dropout rate. Mayor Street said then,
17 "Let me tell you something, we aren't
18 fooling anybody up here on the finances
19 of this city. You got people up here who
20 know as much about this as anybody
21 anywhere, and that's basically what I
22 meant. And there are things that we can
23 do that will cost us money and there are
24 things that we can do that can increase
25 our revenues. I guess my bottom line is

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2 that this School District very shortly is
3 going to need more money, both from the
4 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the City
5 of Philadelphia, if we're going to do
6 something to accelerate the kind of
7 progress we think is necessary in our
8 schools." Those are the words of John
9 Street. Needless to say, I agreed with
10 him then and I agree with him now.

11 On December 30, 2006, Mayor
12 John F. Street delivered his New Year's
13 radio address. Mayor Street said then,
14 "The future belongs to the children. We
15 will continue to invest in our children's
16 education, safety and well-being. In a
17 few weeks, we will unveil the
18 Philadelphia Education Advisory Task
19 Force report, a thorough examination of
20 our School District's programs, finances
21 and needs." Those are the words of John
22 Street. I anxiously awaited the Task
23 Force report then and I anxiously await
24 that report now.

25 On February 22, 2007, Mayor

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2 John F. Street delivered his FY2008
3 budget address to City Council. But then
4 Mayor Street said, "Although the City's
5 annual support for the School District
6 has steadily increased, any decisions for
7 increased funding should wait until the
8 Education Advisory Task Force issues its
9 draft report."

10 So what accounts for the
11 Mayor's change in support for more local
12 money? My introduction of Bill No.
13 070015 on January 23, 2007.

14 It's quite simple. He asked
15 for my support, not my leadership. But
16 leadership was what I'm offering. And I
17 have the support of education advocates
18 today that will hold a press conference
19 across the hall at 12:00 noon in the City
20 Council Caucus Room and have the support
21 of all the major candidates for Mayor. I
22 personally talked with Chaka Fattah,
23 Dwight Evans, Mike Nutter, Tom Knox and a
24 representative of Bob Brady yesterday.

25 The time to address this crisis

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2 is now. Every major issue in the City,
3 crime and violence, job creation,
4 economic development, as well as the
5 overall quality of life, is intertwined
6 with the issue of public education and
7 the need for more local and state
8 investment.

9 The Mayor says that this bill
10 won't solve the problem. That's true.
11 It is meant to be part of a more
12 comprehensive effort. So I say to the
13 Mayor, this is a very serious public
14 policy matter that requires more than a
15 lame-duck response. I remind the Mayor
16 and my colleagues of the Mayor's own
17 words last year. Again, "Children of
18 Philadelphia is the most important and
19 challenging responsibility. Investing in
20 our children and improving their
21 educational opportunities is among the
22 most important actions we can take as a
23 city. I guess my bottom line is, the
24 School District very shortly is going to
25 need more money, both from the

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2 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and City of
3 Philadelphia, if we're going to do
4 something to accelerate the kind of
5 progress we think is necessary in our
6 schools. The future belongs to the
7 children, and we'll continue to invest in
8 our children's education, safety and
9 well-being."

10 I couldn't have said it better
11 than he did, but for me, money talks
12 louder than words.

13 Thank you.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
15 you.

16 The Chair recognizes Councilman
17 Clarke.

18 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Thank you,
19 Madam President. Madam President, I
20 would just like to acknowledge and
21 recognize the employees of the Community
22 College of Philadelphia that are here
23 today.

24 (Applause.)

25 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Community

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2 College lies within my Council district
3 and has been proven to be a very, very
4 productive and much-needed service for
5 not only youth but also for adults and
6 older adults.

7 I encourage all parties to get
8 together, because I understand that
9 they're extremely close in terms of the
10 number with respect to benefits and
11 wages. And please get back to work,
12 because this is a much-needed service and
13 we need this school to be open.

14 (Applause.)

15 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: I would
16 just like to say, Madam President, on
17 behalf, we're encouraging, we're
18 basically demanding that people sit down
19 and come up with a reasonable approach
20 and get a contract resolution for this
21 much-needed service.

22 Thank you, Madam President.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
24 you, Councilman.

25 The Chair recognizes

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2 Councilwoman Campbell.

3 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Yes,
4 Madam President. I understand that
5 Mrs. Neil from the School of the Future
6 is here with another class of government,
7 and I want to acknowledge them.

8 (Applause.)

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
10 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell.

11 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
12 you, Madam President. I want to agree
13 and associate myself with the comments
14 made by Councilman Clarke. I do have a
15 branch in my area. I have talked with
16 many people, and certainly look forward
17 to a resolution of this issue, as I'm
18 sure all of us in City Council do. So
19 I'm sure I speak for us all when we say
20 we hope that this strike will end
21 quickly.

22 Thank you.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
24 you.

25 (Applause.)

1 3/22/07 - STATED - ADJOURNMENT

2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Are
3 there any other speeches on the part of
4 the majority?

5 (No response.)

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:
7 Seeing none, the Chair recognizes
8 Councilwoman Tasco for a motion to
9 adjourn.

10 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Madam
11 President, I move that Council stand
12 adjourned until Thursday, March 29th,
13 10:00 a.m.

14 (Duly seconded.)

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:
16 Before we adjourn, I just want to remind
17 the members of the Rules Committee that
18 we do have a 1 o'clock public hearing.

19 It has been moved and seconded
20 that Council stand adjourned until
21 Thursday, March 29th at 10:00 a.m.

22 All in favor will say aye.

23 (Aye.)

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
25 opposed?

1 3/22/07 - STATED - ADJOURNMENT
2 (No response.)
3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
4 ayes have it and the motion carries.
5 (Stated Meeting adjourned at
6 11:00 a.m.)
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