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COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA

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STATED MEETING

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Room 400, City Hall
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Thursday, September 20, 2007
10:20 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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COUNCILWOMAN BLONDELL REYNOLDS BROWN

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COUNCILMAN FRANK RIZZO

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COUNCILMAN DANIEL SAVAGE

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COUNCILWOMAN MARIAN B. TASCO

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PATRICIA RAFFERTY, CHIEF CLERK

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COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Good

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morning. I note that the hour has come

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and that a quorum of this Council is

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present.

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Council will please come to

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order. Members will take their seats and

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visitors will retire to the seats outside

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the rails.

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To give our invocation this

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morning, the Chair welcomes Father Joseph

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Howarth, Pastor of the Church of the

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Resurrection of our Lord. He is here

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today as the guest of Councilman Savage.

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I would ask all members and

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guests to please rise.

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(Everyone rises.)

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FATHER HOWARTH: I received a

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card yesterday from an anonymous

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parishioner. Yesterday the bathroom in

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the third floor of the school had a

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severe leakage going into the second

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floor. One of the doors in the church

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was swinging precariously and other

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things were going on. And so at the end

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2 of the day, a card came and it said, I
3 said a prayer for you today, Father,
4 because I saw what was coming your way
5 and I did not know what more God had in
6 store for you.

7 The simplicity of that card
8 struck my heart, to know that somebody
9 would say a prayer for me. And so, dear
10 members of this august Council who
11 represent our beloved Philadelphia, our
12 neighborhoods where we live, where we
13 grow, where we believe, I say this prayer
14 for you today. It is from my heart to
15 your heart. It is a simple prayer, but I
16 think it will guide you on your way.
17 This is a prayer I've learned as a
18 student at North Catholic High School.
19 It's called a Direction of Intention. I
20 think it is most apt as you begin your
21 deliberations this day.

22 I pray: My God, we do give you
23 these Councilmembers. Please give them
24 the grace to conduct themselves during
25 these sessions in a manner that is most

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2 pleasing to you. May God be blessed.

3 There, I said a prayer for you

4 today. Say one for me. I need them.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank

6 you so much, Father.

7 Council will be at ease.

8 (Council at ease.)

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

10 next order of business is the approval of

11 the Journal of the meeting of Thursday,

12 June 14, 2007, and the Chair recognizes

13 Councilwoman Blackwell.

14 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank

15 you, Madam President. I move that the

16 Journal of the meeting of Thursday, June

17 14, 2007 stand approved.

18 (Duly seconded.)

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It

20 has been moved and properly seconded that

21 the Journal of the meeting of Thursday,

22 June 14, 2007 stand approved.

23 All in favor will indicate by

24 saying aye.

25 (Aye.)

1 9/20/07 - STATED - LEAVES

2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
3 opposed?

4 (No response.)

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
6 ayes have it and the Journal of the
7 meeting of Thursday, June 14, 2007 is
8 approved.

9 The next order of business is
10 requests for leave of absence and, again,
11 the Chair recognizes Councilwoman
12 Blackwell.

13 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
14 you, Madam President. On behalf of the
15 majority, a leave of absence is requested
16 for Councilman Juan Ramos.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
18 you. Leave will be granted.

19 At this time, the Chair
20 recognizes Councilman O'Neill.

21 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Madam
22 President, at this time there are no
23 requests for leave of absence on behalf
24 of the republicans.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

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2 Chair thanks the gentleman. Thank you.

3 The Chair will dispense with
4 the regular order of business to
5 recognize the guests and visitors joining
6 us in Chambers this morning. On behalf
7 of all members of City Council, I welcome
8 you to our Council session. We
9 appreciate your taking the time to join
10 us as we attend to the legislative
11 affairs of our city. We certainly invite
12 you to come again.

13 At this time, the Chair
14 recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell, who
15 will be presenting a resolution honoring
16 the Philadelphia Boys Choir on their 40th
17 anniversary season.

18 Will Mr. Donahue Bailey and the
19 Boys Choir please join the Councilwoman
20 at the podium.

21 Boys, please come up to the
22 podium.

23 It's my understanding that
24 Councilwoman Brown will be joining
25 Councilwoman Blackwell.

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2 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: All
3 who are with you can come forward.

4 Madam President, this gives me
5 a great honor and pleasure to make this
6 presentation for the wonderful
7 Philadelphia Boys Choir and Chorale on
8 its 40th anniversary season, and we note
9 that we are proud it is located in the
10 heart of the Third Councilmanic District.

11 Whereas, the Philadelphia Boys
12 Choir was founded by Dr. Robert G.
13 Hamilton in 1968 and continued to grow
14 steadily in size and quality during the
15 1970s and the 1980s; and

16 Whereas, the Choir provides the
17 finest musical training to talented boys
18 and men from the greater Philadelphia
19 area regardless of their ethnic,
20 religious or economic backgrounds; and

21 Whereas, the Choir strives to
22 help each boy achieve artistic
23 excellence, strength of character,
24 self-discipline and focus through
25 rehearsal and performance of music; and

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2 Whereas, past members of the
3 Choir include KYW TV anchorman Ukee
4 Washington, Joe Bonsall of the country
5 music group of the Oak Ridge Boys and
6 Shawn Stockman of the R&B group Boys II
7 Men.

8 And as I pass this over to my
9 colleague to finish reading, I want to
10 let you know that Odette Harris from
11 William Penn has a grandson who is part
12 of this, and he and his father, David
13 Harris, who worked for Councilman Clarke,
14 are likewise here and we welcome them.

15 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Whereas,
16 the performing Choir numbers over 90 boys
17 and 30 men; and

18 Whereas, the Choir represents
19 the United States and Philadelphia
20 throughout the world as "America's
21 Ambassadors of Song"; and

22 Whereas, the Choir's
23 achievements include world tours with
24 performances for heads of state,
25 recordings with international renowned

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2 orchestras and praise from critics and
3 audiences worldwide; and

4 Whereas, under the artistic
5 direction of Jeffrey R. Smith and John B.
6 Stroud, Jr., the Choir performs more than
7 60 concerts each year throughout the
8 Philadelphia region, including 25
9 performances of the Nutcracker with the
10 Pennsylvania Ballet.

11 Now therefore resolved, that
12 the Council of the City of Philadelphia
13 honors and congratulates the Philadelphia
14 Boys Choir and Chorale on its 40th
15 anniversary season; and

16 Further resolved, that an
17 engrossed copy of this resolution be
18 presented to the Choir as a sincere
19 expression of City Council's gratitude
20 and appreciation for the Choir's enormous
21 contributions to our city.

22 Certification, this is a true
23 and correct copy of the original
24 resolution, adopted by the Council on the
25 20th day of September 2007. Introduced

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2 by your District Councilperson,
3 Councilwoman Jannie Blackwell, signed by
4 President Verna and sponsored by all of
5 the members of the Philadelphia City
6 Council.

7 Congratulations.

8 (Applause.)

9 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Madam
10 President, all of us have worked with
11 Bill Jones, anybody who has been around
12 for a few years, and we certainly want to
13 give a special welcome to him and let him
14 know how great it is to see him working
15 with such a wonderful organization.

16 Thank you, Bill.

17 MR. JONES: Thank you, Jannie.

18 (Applause.)

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
20 Chair recognizes Mr. Bailey for remarks.

21 MR. BAILEY: Madam Chair, our
22 Council lady Jannie Blackwell, City
23 Council, friends, boys and girls, good
24 morning.

25 (Good morning.)

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2 MR. BAILEY: On behalf of the
3 Board of the Philadelphia Boys Choir and
4 the Choir and Chorale, we humbly thank
5 you this morning for this proclamation
6 that addresses our 40th year to continue
7 serving the City of Philadelphia as
8 "Ambassadors of Song" worldwide and also
9 here in the City of Philadelphia.

10 Thank you very much.

11 (Applause.)

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: I
13 believe we're going to have the pleasure
14 of hearing the all boys choir sing a song
15 or two.

16 (Philadelphia Boys Choir
17 singing.)

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna:
19 Council will be at ease.)

20 (Council at ease.)

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
22 next order of business is communications.
23 The Chair requests that the
24 Sergeant-At-Arms deliver the messages to
25 the Chief Clerk.

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2 The Chief Clerk will please
3 read the messages from the Mayor.

4 CHIEF CLERK: To the President
5 and members of the Council of the City of
6 Philadelphia, I am pleased to advise you
7 that on June 15th, June 22nd, July 3rd,
8 July 31st, August 16th, September 5th and
9 September 20th, 2007 I signed all of the
10 bills that were passed by Council at its
11 session on June 7, 2007 and June 14,
12 2007, except Bill No. 070342, which I am
13 returning to you as disapproved, and Bill
14 Nos. 070189, 070268 and 070394; and

15 I am transmitting herewith for
16 the introduction and consideration of
17 your honorable body five resolutions
18 reappointing current members to the Board
19 of Directors of the South
20 Street/Headhouse District of
21 Philadelphia; namely, Abner Silver,
22 Michael Samschick, Ann Verber, John
23 Finley and Noah Webster; and

24 Eleven resolutions appointing
25 members to the Board of Directors of the

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2 South Street/Headhouse District of
3 Philadelphia; namely, Nigel Richards,
4 Jose Pumarada, Michael Untermeyer, Tim
5 Krug, Donna Pancoast, William Barton,
6 Joette Adams, Kali Morgan, Howard Lander,
7 Daniel Doyle and Marolyn Bailey; and

8 An ordinance authorizing the
9 issuance of one or more series of general
10 obligation bonds to provide funds to
11 refund certain outstanding general
12 obligation bonds of the City of
13 Philadelphia; and

14 An ordinance authorizing the
15 creation of a loan or loans to provide
16 funds for and toward various capital
17 municipal purposes; and

18 An ordinance amending Title 14
19 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled
20 "Zoning and Planning," by adding a new
21 Section 14-1632, entitled "Convention
22 Center Expansion Area Special District
23 Controls," under certain terms and
24 conditions; and

25 I am returning herewith as

1 9/20/07 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS
2 disapproved Bill No. 070342 passed by
3 Council on June 14, 2007.

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

7 Does the Chief Clerk have any
8 other communications in her possession?

9 CHIEF CLERK: No, Madam
10 President. That's all that I have.

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 Is Councilwoman Blackwell in
18 the room?

19 (No response.)

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
21 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Tasco for a
22 motion regarding the introduction of
23 bills and resolutions, please.

24 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Madam
25 President, I move that the rules of

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2 Council be suspended so as to allow the
3 vote on the resolutions as they come up.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Do I
5 hear a second?

6 (Duly seconded.)

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
8 has been moved and properly seconded that
9 the rules of Council be suspended so as
10 to permit immediate consideration of
11 resolutions at the time of introduction.

12 All in favor will please
13 indicate by saying aye.

14 (Aye.)

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
16 opposed?

17 (No response.)

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
19 ayes have it and the motion carries.

20 The Chair recognizes Councilman
21 Kenney.

22 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you,
23 Madam President. I offer two bills and
24 three resolutions.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank

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2 you.

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

5 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
6 enacting a new Chapter 9-3100 of The
7 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Food Service
8 Waste Reduction Ordinance," to prohibit
9 the use of disposable food service ware
10 that contains polystyrene foam and to
11 require the use of
12 biodegradable/compostable or recyclable
13 disposable food service.

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

17 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
18 enacting a new Chapter 9-3200 of The
19 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Shipping and
20 Packaging Waste Reduction Ordinance," to
21 prohibit the use of disposable packaging
22 materials that contain polystyrene foam
23 and to require the use of
24 biodegradable/compostable or recyclable
25 disposable packaging.

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

5 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
6 recognizing Eden Cemetery, America's
7 oldest African-American public cemetery
8 company, located in Collingdale,
9 Pennsylvania.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
11 Chair recognizes Councilman Kenney for a
12 motion on the resolution.

13 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: I move the
14 adoption of the resolution.

15 (Duly seconded.)

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

19 All in favor will indicate by
20 saying aye.

21 (Aye.)

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
23 opposed?

24 (No response.)

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

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2 ayes have it and the resolution is
3 adopted.

4 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
5 authorizing the Committee on the
6 Environment to hold public hearings to
7 investigate the feasibility of the City
8 of Philadelphia investing in wind energy
9 for municipal operations and community
10 energy needs.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:
12 Again, the Chair recognizes Councilman
13 Kenney.

14 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: I move the
15 adoption of the resolution.

16 (Duly seconded.)

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

20 All in favor will say aye.

21 (Aye.)

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
23 opposed?

24 (No response.)

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

1 9/20/07 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS

2 ayes have it and the resolution will be
3 referred to the Committee on the
4 Environment.

5 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
6 authorizing the Committee on Legislative
7 Oversight to hold public hearings on the
8 Commonwealth's regulations pertaining to
9 the sale and use of consumer fireworks in
10 Philadelphia and to discuss pending
11 legislation in the Pennsylvania General
12 Assembly.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
14 Chair recognizes Councilman Kenney.

15 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: I move the
16 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 will be
4 referred to the Legislative Oversight
5 Committee.

6 At this time, the Chair
7 recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell.

8 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
9 you, Madam President. Today I introduce
10 seven bills and two resolutions. Thank
11 you.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
13 you.

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

16 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
17 authorizing the creation of a loan or
18 loans to provide funds for and toward
19 various capital municipal purposes.

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

23 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
24 authorizing the issuance of one or more
25 series of general obligation bonds.

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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 Section 14-1600 of The
7 Philadelphia Code by adding a new section
8 entitled "30th Street Special Controls
9 District."

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

13 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
14 authorizing Brandywine Cira South, owner
15 and developer of the Cira Centre South,
16 to construct, own and maintain various
17 encroachments to be installed in
18 conjunction with a mixed-use development.

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

22 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
23 establishing a no parking regulation on
24 30th Street between Market and Walnut
25 Street.

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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 to amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by
7 changing the zoning designations of
8 certain areas of land located within an
9 area bounded by 30th Street, Chestnut
10 Street, Schuylkill Avenue and Walnut
11 Street.

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

15 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
16 regulating the direction of movement of
17 traffic on 30th Street between Market
18 Street to Walnut Street.

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

22 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
23 approving Drexel University's proposed
24 amendment to the Institutional
25 Development District Master Plan.

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
3 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell
4 for a motion on the resolution.

5 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
6 you, Madam President. I move for 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 indicate by
13 saying aye.

14 (Aye.)

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
16 opposed?

17 (No response.)

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

21 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
22 honoring and congratulating the
23 Philadelphia Boys Choir and Chorale on
24 its 40th anniversary season.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

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2 Chair again recognizes Councilwoman
3 Blackwell.

4 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
5 you, Madam President. I move for the
6 adoption of the resolution.

7 (Duly seconded.)

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

11 All in favor will say aye.

12 (Aye.)

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
14 opposed?

15 (No response.)

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

19 The noise level is really much
20 too high. Thank you.

21 The Chair recognizes Councilman
22 Greenlee.

23 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Thank
24 you, Madam President. I have no bills or
25 resolutions.

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

4 The Chair recognizes
5 Councilwoman Krajewski.

6 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Thank
7 you, Madam President. I have four
8 resolutions and one resolution sponsored
9 by yourself and myself and one bill.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
11 you.

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

14 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
15 amending Chapter 10-1200 of The
16 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Posting of
17 Signs," by authorizing a single code
18 violation notice to be issued for
19 multiple sign violations by the same
20 person.

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

24 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
25 honoring Sister Roberta Archibald on her

1 9/20/07 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS
2 Golden Jubilee as a member of the Sisters
3 of St. Joseph and for her dedicated
4 service and commitment to the Christian
5 principles of faith, hope and charity.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
7 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Krajewski.

8 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Thank
9 you, Madam President. I move for the
10 adoption of the resolution.

11 (Duly seconded.)

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
13 has been moved and properly seconded that
14 the resolution 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 resolution is
22 adopted.

23 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
24 recognizing September 2007 as Childhood
25 Cancer Awareness Month in honor of

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2 childhood cancer patients, caregivers,
3 survivors and those children who have
4 succumbed to the disease.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
6 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Krajewski.

7 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Madam
8 President, I also would like to
9 acknowledge that Councilwoman Miller is
10 the co-sponsor of that resolution. I
11 move for the adoption.

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 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
25 honoring the memory of General Friedrich

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2 Wilhelm von Steuben and designating the
3 area of Frankford Avenue from Welsh Road
4 to Knorr Street as "Steuben Strasse" in
5 celebration of the 36th Annual Steuben
6 Day Parade to be held Saturday, September
7 22, 2007.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna:
9 Again, the Chair recognizes Councilwoman
10 Krajewski.

11 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: I move
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 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution

1 9/20/07 - STATED - INTRO. OF BILLS
2 calling on the Environmental Protection
3 Agency to act on the complete removal and
4 off-site disposal of the Franklin Slag
5 Pile Superfund site located at the
6 Bridesburg/Port Richmond Delaware
7 Riverfront.

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

10 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: 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 and the resolution is
23 adopted.

24 The Chair recognizes
25 Councilwoman Tasco.

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2 Is she in the room?

3 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: I offer
4 two bills and three resolutions.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
6 you.

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

9 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
10 granting permission to The Ivy Hill
11 Cemetery Company to expand their cemetery
12 or place of burial located at 1201 Easton
13 Road.

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

17 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
18 authorizing transfers in appropriations
19 for Fiscal Year 2008 within the General
20 Fund from the Council to the Mayor -
21 Office of Housing and Community
22 Development.

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

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2 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
3 calling on the U.S. Department of Justice
4 to monitor the Jena 6 litigation.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
6 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Tasco.

7 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Madam
8 President, I'd like to speak on the
9 resolution.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:
11 Certainly.

12 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Today
13 thousands of individuals will converge on
14 Jena, Louisiana to protest the actions
15 that have taken place there relative to
16 some young men who have been charged with
17 attempted murder and other charges based
18 on racial incidents in Jena, Louisiana.

19 The resolution spells out the
20 facts as we know it that took place in
21 that city. And I won't go and speak to
22 those facts. The point I want to make
23 today is that the Jena 6 will serve as a
24 reminder to all of us of the importance
25 of participating in the electoral

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2 process. These prosecutors throughout
3 the United States are elected. Our young
4 people and a lot of people in our country
5 do not vote or think it's important to
6 vote and to particularly vote in local
7 elections.

8 Dr. Martin Luther King, Medgar
9 Evers, Viola Liuzzo, Chaney, Goodman and
10 Schwarner all died because they fought
11 for the rights, the civil rights, and
12 justice for all. And Dr. King knew the
13 importance of participating in the
14 political process, and because racism
15 existed, because African-Americans were
16 not allowed to vote, their voice was not
17 heard. And had they had an opportunity
18 to vote, maybe the leadership in some of
19 the cities would have prevented some of
20 the racial tension that existed in the
21 '60s and prior to the '60s.

22 So we still have a long way to
23 go in these United States to overcome
24 racism, sexism and all the "isms," but I
25 call on all of us to know the importance

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2 of participating in the electoral
3 process, to elect those people who stand
4 for fairness, who stand for justice and
5 stand for people's civil rights. And
6 when the establishment thinks or might
7 believe that we are not paying attention,
8 sometimes there are individuals who get
9 elected that should not get elected to
10 these positions. And just like in
11 Durham, North Carolina where that
12 prosecutor ran amuck and charged those
13 young men and with hell evidence, he was
14 unfair and he was political. So it's
15 just not black and white. It's about
16 people and them having the right to
17 fairness.

18 So we hope today that in Jena
19 that fairness and justice will prevail,
20 and I ask my colleagues to vote on this
21 resolution calling on the federal
22 government to monitor what's happening in
23 Jena, Louisiana today.

24 Thank you very much.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERA: Thank

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2 you.

3 (Applause.)

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

5 Councilwoman Blackwell, you want to be
6 noticed?

7 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: I

8 absolutely do. Thank you, Madam

9 President.

10 I rise to certainly support
11 this resolution. I listen every day on
12 talk radio in the morning. We know that
13 Al Sharpton is there. We've listened to
14 the Reverend Jesse Jackson, who has also
15 been involved in it on a daily basis, and
16 who talk about the families of these
17 children.

18 It is unfortunate. It's hard
19 to believe that after all these years we
20 would revert to pre-civil rights days.

21 So we certainly support this
22 resolution, and it is just a reminder
23 that all of us who have leadership roles,
24 all of us who are elected officials have
25 to be ever-watchful that we certainly

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2 guard jealously and with great pride the
3 rights and privileges that all of us have
4 in this country and that we do what we
5 can to make sure that the youngsters in
6 this country are all afforded equal
7 rights under the law.

8 Thank you very much.

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
10 you.

11 Again, the Chair recognizes
12 Councilwoman Tasco for a motion on the
13 resolution.

14 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Thank you,
15 Madam President. I move for the adoption
16 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 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
6 recognizing October 6th as Multiple
7 Myeloma Awareness Day.

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

10 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: I move for
11 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 and the resolution is
23 adopted.

24 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
25 declaring October 2007 as Human Relations

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2 Month in the City of Philadelphia.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
4 Chair again recognizes Councilwoman
5 Tasco.

6 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Madam
7 President, I just want to note that this
8 resolution is on your behalf, and 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 and the resolution is
21 adopted.

22 At this time, the Chair
23 recognizes Councilwoman Miller.

24 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Thank
25 you, Madam President, and good morning.

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2 Today I have two resolutions and three
3 bills.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
5 you.

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

8 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
9 amending Section 9-208 of The
10 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Sidewalk
11 Cafes," by permitting sidewalk cafes to
12 be maintained on Germantown Avenue, both
13 sides, between Creshiem Road and Rex
14 Avenue.

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

18 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
19 amending Chapter 10-700 of The
20 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Refuse and
21 Littering," by adding a section creating
22 a reward program for the provision of
23 information leading to the determination
24 that an individual has engaged in short
25 dumping.

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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 enacting a new Chapter
9 17-1500, entitled "Philadelphia Fair
10 Criminal Record Standard."

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

14 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
15 for the City Council of Philadelphia
16 calls upon the responsible merchants of
17 Philadelphia, during these troubling
18 times, with gun violence at an all-time
19 high, to implement a voluntary moratorium
20 on the sale of toy guns in the
21 Philadelphia stores.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
23 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Miller.

24 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: I move
25 for the adoption of the resolution.

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2 (Duly seconded.)

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

6 All in favor will say aye.

7 (Aye.)

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
9 opposed?

10 (No response.)

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

14 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
15 authorizing City Council's Committee on
16 Law and Government to hold a public
17 hearing to investigate current policies
18 and procedures relating to real estate
19 transfers, in light of the many
20 fraudulent real estate transfers.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
22 Chair again recognizes Councilwoman
23 Miller.

24 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: I move
25 for the adoption of the resolution.

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Do I
3 hear a second?

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 resolution will be
15 referred to the Committee on Law and
16 Government.

17 The Chair recognizes Councilman
18 Savage.

19 COUNCILMAN SAVAGE: Thank you,
20 Madam President. I offer no bills or
21 resolutions today.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
23 Chair thanks the gentleman.

24 The Chair recognizes Councilman
25 DiCicco.

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2 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Thank you,
3 Madam President. I offer 17 resolutions
4 and eight bills.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
6 you.

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

9 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
10 amending Chapter 9-600 of The
11 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Service and
12 Other Businesses," by adding a new
13 Section 9-614, entitled "Mandatory Use of
14 Recyclable and Compostable Checkout
15 Bags."

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

19 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
20 amending Section 14-1402 of The
21 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Parking in
22 Residential Districts," by reducing
23 parking requirements when spaces for
24 car-sharing organizations are voluntarily
25 provided.

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

5 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
6 amending Section 14-102 of The
7 Philadelphia Code, entitled
8 "Definitions," by amending the definition
9 of "Night Club," all under certain terms
10 and conditions.

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

14 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
15 amending Title 14 of The Philadelphia
16 Code, entitled "Zoning and Planning," by
17 adding a new Section 14-908, entitled
18 "Queen Village Neighborhood Conservation
19 District."

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

23 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
24 authorizing CNO, their successors and
25 assigns, to own, operate and maintain

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2 multi-level bay windows and decks as part
3 of the residential development project at
4 850 North 3rd Street.

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

8 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
9 authorizing Bodine Street Associates,
10 their successors and assigns, to own,
11 operate and maintain multi-level bay
12 windows as part of the residential
13 development project at 1111 North Bodine
14 Street.

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

18 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
19 granting permission to Muhammed Shaukat,
20 owner and operator of the newsstand
21 located at the southwest corner of 10th
22 Street and Filbert.

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

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2 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
3 amending Title 14 of The Philadelphia
4 Code, entitled "Zoning and Planning," by
5 adding a new Section 14-1632, entitled
6 "Convention Center Expansion Area."

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

10 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
11 authorizing the Commissioner of Public
12 Property to execute and deliver to the
13 Redevelopment Authority, the City of
14 Philadelphia, deeds located in the 5th,
15 23rd, 25th, 31st and 39th Wards of the
16 City of Philadelphia.

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

19 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Thank you,
20 Madam President. I move for the adoption
21 of all the resolutions that have just
22 been read in.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
24 was just one, wasn't it?

25 CHIEF CLERK: It was one vacant

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2 property. The rest are all ordinances.

3 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Oh, the
4 one resolution. I'm sorry.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It's
6 one resolution that was read.

7 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Right. I
8 apologize. The one resolution. I move
9 for the adoption.

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 honoring, recognizing and celebrating the
24 University of the Arts' School of Theatre
25 Arts on the occasion of their 25th

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2 anniversary.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
4 Chair recognizes Councilman DiCicco.

5 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Thank you,
6 Madam President. I move for the adoption
7 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 and the resolution is
19 adopted.

20 CHIEF CLERK: And five
21 resolutions reappointing current members
22 to the Board of Directors of the South
23 Street/Headhouse District of
24 Philadelphia; namely, Abner Silver, term
25 to expire December 31, 2008; Michael

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2 Samschick, term to expire December 31,
3 2008; Ann Verber, term to expire December
4 31, 2010; John Finley, term to expire
5 December 31, 2010; and Noah Webster, term
6 to expire December 31, 2011; and

7 Eleven resolutions appointing
8 members to the Board of Directors of the
9 South Street/Headhouse District of
10 Philadelphia; namely, Nigel Richards,
11 term to expire December 31, 2008; Jose
12 Pumarada, term to expire December 31,
13 2009; Michael Untermeyer, term to expire
14 December 31, 2009; Tim Krug, term to
15 expire December 31, 2009; Donna Pancoast,
16 term to expire December 31, 2009; William
17 Barton, term to expire December 31, 2009;
18 Joette Adams, term to expire December 31,
19 2010; Kali Morgan, term to expire
20 December 31, 2010; Howard Lander, term to
21 expire December 31, 2011; Daniel Doyle,
22 term to expire December 31, 2011; and
23 Marolyn Bailey, term to expire December
24 31, 2011.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank

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2 you. The resolutions will be referred to
3 the appropriate committee.

4 At this time, the Chair
5 recognizes Councilwoman Brown. Is she in
6 the room?

7 (No response.)

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
9 Chair recognizes Councilman Goode.

10 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you,
11 Madam President. I offer two resolutions
12 on behalf of Councilwoman Brown and one
13 bill and one resolution on my own behalf.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
15 you.

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

18 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
19 creating the Philadelphia Reentry
20 Employment Program for Ex-offenders; in
21 particular, amending Chapter 19-2600 of
22 The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Business
23 Privilege Taxes."

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

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2 committee.

3 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
4 calling to support the appointment of
5 Sandra Dungee Glenn as Chairman of the
6 School Reform Commission for the School
7 District of Philadelphia.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
9 Chair recognizes Councilman Goode.

10 COUNCILMAN GOODE: I move for
11 the adoption.

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 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
25 calling on the Committee on the

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2 Environment to hold hearings on the
3 development of a strategy for the City to
4 manage and operate energy-efficient City
5 streetlights.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:
7 Again, the Chair recognizes Councilman
8 Goode.

9 COUNCILMAN GOODE: On behalf of
10 Councilwoman Brown, I move for the
11 adoption.

12 (Duly seconded.)

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
14 has been moved and seconded that the
15 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 will be
23 referred to the Committee on the
24 Environment.

25 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution

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2 authorizing the Committee on Commerce and
3 Economic Development to hold hearings to
4 review the annual disparity study and
5 City contract participation goals
6 released by the Finance Department
7 pursuant to Title 17 of The Philadelphia
8 Code.

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
10 Chair recognizes Councilman Goode.

11 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you,
12 Madam President. I move for the
13 adoption.

14 (Duly seconded.)

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

18 All in favor will say aye.

19 (Aye.)

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Those
21 opposed?

22 (No response.)

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
24 ayes have it, and the resolution will be
25 referred to the appropriate committee.

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2 The Chair recognizes Councilman
3 Goode for the introduction of your bill.

4 COUNCILMAN GOODE: I introduced
5 my bill and my resolution.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: I beg
7 your pardon?

8 COUNCILMAN GOODE: I did
9 introduce my bill and resolution.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: You
11 did? Thank you.

12 The Chair recognizes
13 Councilwoman Campbell.

14 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Madam
15 President, I have six bills and three
16 resolutions.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
18 you.

19 The Chief Clerk will please
20 read the title of the first bill.

21 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
22 amending Chapter 12-2700 of The
23 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Permit
24 Parking Districts."

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

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2 bill will be referred to the appropriate
3 committee.

4 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
5 authorizing the installation of a traffic
6 light at Sorrento Road and Conshohocken
7 Avenue and the installation of stop signs
8 at 47th Street at the intersection of
9 Conshohocken Avenue.

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

13 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
14 amending Section 9-208 of The
15 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Sidewalk
16 Sales," by limiting the hours of
17 operation of sidewalk cafes located
18 within certain areas of the City.

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

22 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
23 amending Section 10-609 of The
24 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Public
25 Urination or Defecation," by increasing

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2 the fine for violations of such section,
3 all under certain terms and conditions.

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

7 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
8 amending Title 12 of The Philadelphia
9 Code, entitled "Traffic Code," by
10 amending Section 12-102, entitled
11 "Definitions," and amending 12-1201 of
12 The Philadelphia Code, entitled
13 "Authority to Install Traffic-Control
14 Devices."

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

18 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
19 enacting a new Chapter 12-300 of The
20 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Special
21 Restrictions Upon Use of Vehicles Around
22 Wheelchair Lift Equipped Vehicles."

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

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2 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
3 calling upon the School District of
4 Philadelphia to proceed expeditiously in
5 identifying, evaluating and providing
6 individualized services to children, who
7 are identified by family members,
8 educational experts and other persons in
9 contact with the children, with risk
10 factors for developmental delay.

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

13 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: I move
14 for the adoption of the resolution.

15 (Duly seconded.)

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

19 All in favor will indicate by
20 saying aye.

21 (Aye.)

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
23 opposed?

24 (No response.)

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

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2 ayes have it and the resolution has been
3 adopted.

4 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
5 amending Resolution No. 070405, approving
6 the annual Program Statement and Budget
7 for the expenditure of the Neighborhood
8 Transformation Initiative Bond Proceeds
9 for Fiscal Year 2008.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
11 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Campbell.

12 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: I move
13 for the adoption of the resolution.

14 (Duly seconded.)

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

18 All in favor will say aye.

19 (Aye.)

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
21 opposed?

22 (No response.)

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

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2 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
3 calling upon the Department of Recreation
4 to install surveillance cameras in all
5 Class A and Class B recreational
6 facilities to further enhance the safety
7 of all persons utilizing these
8 facilities.

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
10 Chair again recognizes Councilwoman
11 Campbell.

12 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: I move
13 for the adoption of the resolution.

14 (Duly seconded.)

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

18 All in favor will say aye.

19 (Aye.)

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
21 opposed?

22 (No response.)

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

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2 The Chair recognizes Councilman
3 O'Neill.

4 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Madam
5 President, I have three bills and two
6 resolutions.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
8 you.

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

11 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
12 authorizing the installation of all-way
13 stop signs at the intersection of Colfax
14 Street and Stamford Street.

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

18 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
19 establishing a no truck parking and
20 tow-away regulation on Hendrix Street
21 between Bustleton Avenue and West
22 Centennial Square.

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

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2 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
3 establishing a no parking any time
4 regulation on the east side of Frankford
5 Avenue, between Knights Road and Grant
6 Avenue.

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

10 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
11 recognizing the Math, Science and
12 Technology Community Charter School on
13 being honored as the National Charter
14 School of the Year.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
16 Chair recognizes Councilman O'Neill.

17 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: I move the
18 adoption of the resolution.

19 (Duly seconded.)

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
21 has been moved and properly seconded that
22 the 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 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
8 calling upon the Philadelphia Police
9 Department to begin implementing a
10 standard operational procedure that would
11 require all Philadelphia Police officers
12 to conduct an immigration status check on
13 all suspects arrested for a felony and to
14 notify both the Philadelphia District
15 Attorney's Office and the federal
16 immigration authorities of the illegal
17 immigration status of the suspect.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
19 Chair recognizes Councilman O'Neill.

20 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Yes, Madam
21 President. I'd like to speak on the
22 resolution.

23 My colleague, Councilman Ramos,
24 who unfortunately is not here but I spoke
25 to at length last week, issued a press

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2 release today that compels me to speak on
3 this, because it's filled with a lot of
4 things I agree with that don't apply to
5 this resolution, but what applies to this
6 resolution I totally disagree with; for
7 instance, racial profiling, which it's
8 not, having anything to do with what's
9 going on in Hazleton or Riverside or the
10 other places that have been in the news,
11 that we're singling out anyone, that we
12 don't need to celebrate immigrants,
13 encourage them.

14 Let me tell you, this
15 resolution I believe is based on my
16 belief that our greatest responsibility
17 as a city, as a government, is to protect
18 our citizens, and anything we can do to
19 protect them more is our duty.

20 Is Newark and what happened up
21 there, those executions, part of the
22 reason that I'm introducing this?
23 Absolutely. Is the fact that the murders
24 and the violence in this city are out of
25 control and are a national disgrace?

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2 Absolutely.

3 But what this resolution is not
4 is, it's not profiling in any way. It
5 calls for police to check the immigrant
6 status of people arrested for felonies.
7 It doesn't profile anybody. It profiles
8 felons, but it doesn't profile anybody
9 for any other reason. And if we're here
10 to protect felons, fine. I'm not here to
11 protect felons.

12 The other thing that's come
13 up -- and there's been some mixed
14 statements from the Police Department --
15 is that this is too much of a burden on
16 the Police Department. Well, that may be
17 what the Commissioner thinks, but the
18 Commissioner is also the one with the
19 failed leadership in fighting the murders
20 and violence in this city. When you talk
21 to people, the rank-and-file in the
22 Police Department, checking this is no
23 big deal. There's even been statements
24 from the Police Commissioner's office --
25 one was in the Metro last week -- that

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2 the spokesman said he didn't know why the
3 police weren't already doing this, but he
4 was still waiting to hear from
5 Commissioner Johnson. Well, I'm still
6 waiting to hear from Commissioner
7 Johnson, too. I sent him a letter two
8 weeks ago on this matter.

9 Not a burden. Not profiling.
10 This isn't asking police to check car
11 stops, to check drunk driving where
12 there's car accidents or anything like
13 that. It's not for minor crimes. These
14 are felonies we're talking about. And in
15 Newark, the State of New Jersey stepped
16 in before the City Council could enact a
17 resolution like this, and it's now the
18 policy of every police department in New
19 Jersey. To my knowledge -- and I scan
20 the New York Times every day -- there
21 hasn't been one problem with that policy.

22 It makes sense. I have not
23 talked to anyone once I explain, as I
24 tried to do to Councilman Ramos, that
25 we're dealing here with felonies and

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2 we're dealing with everyone arrested for
3 a felony.

4 I'll leave my remarks with
5 this: Last Friday I was sitting in a
6 diner with a couple of friends, one of
7 whom is a police officer, and a fellow
8 came over, happened to be a police
9 officer, and he knew my friend, and we
10 were all introduced to him, and he said,
11 Oh, Councilman, he said, I want to thank
12 you for that letter you sent to the
13 Police Commissioner. He said, I work in
14 Center City where there's a crime
15 spree -- this is four days ago -- there's
16 a crime spree of armed robberies. He
17 said, We arrested one guy that had
18 committed his fourth armed robbery. He
19 said, I called the immigration officials
20 and they said, We have nothing on this
21 person, nothing on this person.

22 If this resolution and this
23 policy implementation saves one life,
24 protects one citizen, it's worth it. I
25 believe it makes sense. I believe it's

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2 in keeping with our mission and our
3 primary responsibility, to protect our
4 citizens, and recognizes what happened in
5 Newark that might have been avoided and
6 also that we're not doing anything that
7 isn't right.

8 Thank you.

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
10 you.

11 The Chair recognizes
12 Councilwoman Blackwell.

13 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
14 you, Madam President.

15 A few moments ago we supported
16 a resolution introduced by Councilwoman
17 Tasco dealing with the Jena 6. Those are
18 felonies that those kids are charged
19 with. Because a person is charged with a
20 crime, we're not even saying after
21 convicted, we're saying if they're
22 arrested for a felony, that then the
23 police should look in their immigration
24 record.

25 We convinced the Mayor nearly

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2 two years ago now to create the Mayor's
3 Commission on African and Caribbean
4 Immigrant Affairs. All of you received
5 pens saying "Echoes of Africa" and books.
6 Everybody here knows I spend the money
7 I've raised, most of it, on creating
8 books for education, books that would go
9 around the globe dealing with education.
10 We passed them out and certainly have
11 others available. I've only brought a
12 few that we've done. We have done some
13 that say "Karibu" -- it means welcome --
14 that go all over the globe. We've also
15 done several publications for Charles
16 Blockson, who recently retired from
17 Temple, for the Blockson Collection.

18 In America, America is supposed
19 to be a country that welcomes people with
20 open arms. We have nearly 70,000
21 Africans alone in this country. When we
22 have our meetings, just last week this
23 resolution was discussed in the Mayor's
24 Commission on African and Caribbean
25 Immigrant Affairs where people were

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2 afraid. You can arrest a person for a
3 traffic ticket. You can arrest a person
4 for any felony, have the police check
5 them and have a family separated. If
6 they find there's even something as
7 mild -- well, it's not mild. Something
8 that would seem, for the sake of this
9 argument, innocuous as traffic
10 violations, you can separate a family and
11 have people sent back to the countries
12 from which they have come for political
13 reasons and be killed.

14 This is a serious issue. When
15 we talk about certainly checking people
16 who aren't convicted but arrested for a
17 crime, it's very, very dangerous that in
18 this city and in this country we would
19 consider doing that. Not only would it
20 affect individuals who live and work
21 here, but it would affect us as a
22 world-class city in the issue certainly
23 of tourists. Tourism is one of the major
24 industries, the major activities of
25 Philadelphia. Do we want to affect

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2 tourism in a way that will not make
3 Philadelphia the destiny it has become
4 for tourism, not a destiny and a
5 destination for where we live and shop
6 and where we see people of all races,
7 ethnic groups, income areas, backgrounds,
8 genders live together, but a place where
9 you got to be careful?

10 Not only that, if you were to
11 call 9-1-1 today, I can't tell you how
12 many languages there are. For the sake
13 of discussion, maybe there are 15
14 languages. You could call 9-1-1 and get
15 help immediately. People don't realize
16 that, because this city recognizes people
17 from places all over the world and you
18 can get a translator and you can get the
19 help you need.

20 We have been working with
21 Commissioner Johnson. We have met with
22 him. Commissioner Johnson even agreed to
23 hire people from outside of Philadelphia,
24 to hire Africans from various countries
25 so that the police force certainly

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2 reflects those who live in our city.

3 The Commissioner committed to
4 us a year and a half ago in public in our
5 meeting that he would not, if people are
6 stopped, check their background, so
7 people need not fear being deported, not
8 for a crime, but being separated from
9 their families.

10 People are in the process,
11 given President Bush's new issue on
12 borders of this country and all of that,
13 there's a big focus on people from other
14 countries in our city, and he assured us
15 that he would not get involved in that
16 debate, but the police force and police
17 activities would be conducted in the way
18 it has and they will be treated as
19 anybody else in this city, and that is
20 the way it should be.

21 I'm asking my colleagues to
22 certainly really, really consider this
23 resolution. I'm asking them to not
24 support this. The police know what to do
25 if someone is arrested and they know what

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2 to do if someone is convicted. Convict
3 someone of a felony and then talk about
4 checking their background record. But in
5 America, anybody can be charged with
6 anything, just like these kids in the
7 Jena 6 taking place today.

8 Many of us wore black -- they
9 said this is a day of mourning -- to
10 support it. Certainly we do support it,
11 but it is very, very, very dangerous to
12 begin to take away the rights of people
13 in our society, and I hope that my
14 colleagues will join me and not support
15 this resolution.

16 Thank you, Madam President.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

18 You're welcome.

19 (Applause.)

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
21 Chair recognizes Councilman Kenney.

22 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you,
23 Madam President.

24 I'm sure that most members of
25 this body recognize my passion for

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2 immigration and immigrants, and it's not
3 always been to my political benefit with
4 some sectors of my constituency that I
5 take the positions that I do in this
6 regard.

7 I don't doubt Councilman
8 O'Neill's genuine concern about public
9 safety and his efforts to try to address
10 that, but I do believe that this
11 resolution links immigration and crime,
12 and it does so unfairly and it does so
13 without any real facts to back it up.

14 One of the lines in the
15 resolution says, "Whereas, the crime and
16 murder rates in the City of Philadelphia
17 are steadily increasing and local
18 citizens are demanding that crime be
19 attacked from every possible angle." To
20 me, that in itself makes a link between
21 an immigrant, documented or undocumented,
22 and the rise in our murder rates. I
23 don't have the figures in front of me,
24 but I would argue probably that very few
25 murders in this city and very little

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2 crime in this city are committed by
3 immigrants, whether they're documented or
4 they're undocumented.

5 At the beginning of the 20th
6 century there was a large amount of
7 Italian-American immigrants, along with
8 other ethnic groups, in this country and
9 there was a great amount of hatred and
10 prejudice that were heaped upon
11 Italian-American immigrants entering this
12 country. Two gentlemen, who had
13 admittedly radical views of politics,
14 went to their death in the electric
15 chair. Their names were Sacco and
16 Vanzetti. Primarily because of the
17 anti-Italian hysteria that was whipped up
18 at that particular time.

19 I have found in my dealings
20 with the immigrant community that
21 resolutions like this shill the
22 relationship between the City government,
23 the Police Department and those immigrant
24 communities, because if they are victims
25 of a crime, if they're in a car accident,

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2 if they are a witness to a crime and want
3 to be helpful, contact with the police is
4 very tenuous if they're undocumented
5 persons. And I don't like the term
6 "illegal aliens." First of all, they're
7 not illegal and, second of all, they're
8 from the planet earth, they're not from
9 Mars.

10 But it's easy now these days
11 after 9/11 to heap our problems upon
12 these people. The 9/11 terrorists were
13 Saudi Arabians. We haven't changed our
14 relationships with the Saudis. We
15 haven't limited the ability for Saudis to
16 come and go in this country. They all
17 came in through Canada, for the most
18 part, and took down those towers and
19 killed all those people.

20 I will tell you that I don't
21 have any fear of a Mexican guy on a
22 bicycle riding from one job to another.
23 I doubt he has a C-4 strapped to his
24 body, because all he wants to do is have
25 an opportunity to come to this country

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2 and work and raise his family and have a
3 better life, just like all of us.

4 My ancestors came to this
5 country starving, dirty, illiterate and
6 packed inside a ship to come to this
7 country to get an opportunity to have a
8 better life, and they've given me and my
9 siblings a better life.

10 I understand the fear and the
11 prejudice that people have towards
12 immigrants, because they fear different
13 languages, they fear different cultures,
14 they fear that we're going to be overrun
15 by these brown-skinned people or these
16 black-skinned people or these people who
17 don't speak the same language that we do.
18 I do not want to put any situation, any
19 resolution or any imprimatur of this
20 government in the public domain that says
21 that the police are now the enemy of
22 immigrants, whether they're documented or
23 not.

24 Councilwoman Blackwell is
25 correct, if a person is arrested and

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2 convicted, we have plenty of time to
3 check their legal status, put them on a
4 plane and send them back to where they
5 came from, even after they've done their
6 jail time. I don't think we need this,
7 because it sends a message to
8 hard-working, decent people who want to
9 be Americans that somehow they need to
10 fear the police, and I don't want that.

11 I've had discussions with John
12 Timoney when he was the Commissioner in
13 Philadelphia, and he understood that
14 clearly, that it shills the ability to
15 investigate and prosecute crime if the
16 people that we're policing are afraid of
17 our police. And I know that this only is
18 tailored to alleged felons, but this
19 message gets out to the decent people in
20 those communities and they don't want to
21 talk to the police any more either,
22 because someone will check their status.

23 Recently, a Chinese woman had
24 received an asylum request. And we had
25 dealt with this case a couple years ago,

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2 when she came for her normal immigration
3 status hearing over here at 16th and
4 Callowhill, believe it or not, just
5 around the corner, with her husband and
6 her two American-born children. She went
7 into the back to have her status hearing,
8 was whisked out the back, put in a van
9 and taken to New York to JFK Airport in
10 New York, with no money, no ID, drug
11 through the airport, while she was
12 pregnant with twins, lost her babies, and
13 without the intercession of the
14 passengers in that terminal, those INS
15 officials would have put her on a plane
16 back to Beijing, with no ID, pregnant
17 with twins, in a country where you're not
18 allowed to have more than one child.

19 Now, I know this is not what
20 this resolution says, but it does build
21 and build and build the fear in our
22 communities, and people who are coming
23 here who want to be legal, who want to
24 get their status legal, they are going to
25 be fearful of the police and they're not

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2 going to want to cooperate.

3 And with all due respect, I
4 wish you would withdraw it.

5 I'm asking that he would. If
6 he's not, I understand, but I'll be
7 voting no. I am not turning my back on
8 my history and my ancestors, and I think
9 we need to help these people and not try
10 to put more obstacles in their way.

11 Thank you.

12 (Applause.)

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
14 you.

15 The Chair recognizes Councilman
16 O'Neill.

17 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Madam
18 President, I'm only asking my colleagues
19 to vote on what this resolution actually
20 does say, not what it doesn't say,
21 because there's nothing in my mind
22 writing this -- and it took a long time
23 to tailor it so that there weren't any
24 things that I would have a problem with
25 that it said. And if someone else reads

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2 more into it, I can't prevent that.

3 But the public wants us to do
4 something about crime. This is just one
5 small step in that. It's one small
6 slice. Is it everything? No. But I
7 think the evidence speaks for itself that
8 it can be helpful.

9 If this resolution passes
10 today, is Mayor Street and Commissioner
11 Johnson going to change the policy based
12 on history? Probably not. Obviously if
13 it doesn't pass, they're even less likely
14 to change the policy. But the more the
15 public learns about this proposal, that
16 it's working in New Jersey and none of
17 those scary things are going on over
18 there that I heard about that aren't in
19 this resolution, maybe then the public
20 can have an influencing voice on the
21 Mayor and the Police Commissioner.
22 That's all.

23 So I do want to run this today.
24 I hope everyone votes for it, and if they
25 don't, I hope they vote based on it as a

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2 crime issue and not an immigration issue.

3 Thank you.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
5 you.

6 The Chair recognizes Councilman
7 Savage.

8 COUNCILMAN SAVAGE: I also will
9 be joining my colleagues, Councilman
10 Kenney and Councilwoman Blackwell, in
11 voting no on this resolution. I feel
12 that it's not City Council's job to tell
13 the Police Commissioner what to do, and
14 it will place a burden on the Police
15 Commissioner. And I think there's
16 constitutional rights that are questioned
17 and I think we should leave this up to
18 the federal government.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
20 you.

21 Councilman Kenney, you want to
22 be --

23 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: I would
24 just say, following Councilman O'Neill's
25 comments -- and I understand them, and,

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2 again, I will be voting no, but if we're
3 really serious about talking about crime
4 in the City and safety, we should be
5 talking to Harrisburg and Washington
6 about limiting the amount of guns that
7 get in our kids' hands. And if someone
8 wants to help do that, I think that's a
9 better way to go than talking about
10 immigration and crime.

11 Thank you.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
13 you.

14 The Chair recognizes Councilman
15 Greenlee.

16 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Thank
17 you, Madam President. Very quickly.
18 I'll be joining my colleagues also in
19 opposing this. I don't certainly
20 question Councilman O'Neill's sincerity
21 in this issue. I have a lot of the same
22 concerns that Councilwoman Blackwell and
23 Councilman Kenney raised, particularly
24 about the sort of message this sends, but
25 I just have, I guess, a basic problem

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2 with when you're arrested for a crime,
3 you're presumed innocent, and if some
4 people are treated differently than
5 others, I think there's something -- I
6 have a question about that. I have a
7 concern about that.

8 So where I understand and we
9 all want to fight crime, I think we have
10 to do it the right way, and I don't
11 think, with all due respect to the
12 sponsor, this is the right way to go
13 about it. So I will be voting no also.

14 Thank you, Madam President.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
16 you.

17 The Chair recognizes Councilman
18 DiCicco.

19 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Thank you,
20 Madam President.

21 Hearing both sides of this
22 discussion, I think there are merits on
23 both sides of it. I understand the
24 intent. I think I understand the intent
25 of the sponsor in this resolution.

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2 I would ask the sponsor to hold
3 this, more so because in 100 days or so
4 we will have a new Mayor and a new Police
5 Commissioner, and if we're talking about
6 policy, by the time this even got
7 implemented, if it were to pass today, we
8 would probably wind up with a new
9 Commissioner, and I think that the
10 discussion as to what the intent is and
11 some of the fears of the folks who are
12 maybe or maybe not reading more into this
13 resolution than the sponsor meant to have
14 would be more appropriate if we would
15 wait for the new Administration. And
16 we're only talking 100 days or so.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

18 Councilman O'Neill.

19 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Madam
20 President, as I stated, but I'll state
21 specifically, I believe time is of the
22 essence with this issue, and while I know
23 that there will be a new Police
24 Commissioner, a new Mayor, if it weren't
25 public safety, if it weren't murders and

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2 violence that I'm trying to address here,
3 I would gladly hold it. But I will run
4 it.

5 Thank you.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: All
7 right. Would anyone else like to be
8 recognized?

9 (No response.)

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:
11 Councilman O'Neill, would you please move
12 for the adoption.

13 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: I move the
14 adoption. Thank you.

15 (Duly seconded.)

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

19 All in favor will say aye.

20 (Aye.)

21 (Nay.)

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: I
23 think we need a roll call.

24 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
25 Blackwell.

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2 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: No.
3 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
4 Campbell.
5 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: No.
6 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
7 Clarke.
8 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: No.
9 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
10 DiCicco.
11 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: No.
12 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Goode.
13 COUNCILMAN GOODE: No.
14 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
15 Greenlee.
16 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: No.
17 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.
18 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.
19 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
20 Kenney.
21 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: No.
22 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
23 Krajewski.
24 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
25 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman

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2 Miller.
3 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: No.
4 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
5 O'Neill.
6 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
7 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
8 Reynolds Brown.
9 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: No.
10 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.
11 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
12 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
13 Savage.
14 COUNCILMAN SAVAGE: No.
15 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
16 Tasco.
17 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: No.
18 CHIEF CLERK: Council President
19 Verna.
20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: No.
21 CHIEF CLERK: The ayes are
22 four; the nays are 12. The resolution
23 fails.
24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
25 resolution fails.

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2 Do we have another resolution
3 to be read for Councilman O'Neill?

4 CHIEF CLERK: No.

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

7 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Thank you,
8 Madam President. I have two bills.

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
10 you.

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

13 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
14 amending Title 19 of The Philadelphia
15 Code, entitled "Finance, Taxes and
16 Collections," by amending Section
17 19-2602, entitled "Licenses," by adding
18 new conditions to the receipt or
19 retention of the licenses, all under
20 certain terms and conditions.

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

24 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
25 granting permission to Steve Ricchini,

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2 owner and operator of the newsstand
3 located at the northwest corner of 15th
4 and Market Streets.

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

9 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Yes. Madam
10 President, I offer one resolution, which
11 I would like to speak on after the
12 adoption.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
14 Chief Clerk will please read the title of
15 the resolution.

16 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
17 declaring the month of September MRSA
18 Awareness Month in the City of
19 Philadelphia and calling upon the School
20 District to report MRSA on a case-by-case
21 basis and to incorporate information
22 regarding MRSA into the health classes.

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

25 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Yes. Thank

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

4 (Duly seconded.)

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: All
6 right. I thought you wanted to speak on
7 it.

8 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Yes. What I
9 would like to do is, first of all, I'd
10 like to acknowledge the presence of Scott
11 Cummings, who has three children who had
12 this disease, and also Ms. Marge Fullman,
13 who is here with her son Chuck, who has
14 suffered with this disease for over six
15 years now. As a token of their
16 appreciation for these Councilmembers
17 they will be giving out T-shirts in
18 appreciation.

19 But what I would like to do is,
20 I know there are some people who think
21 this isn't important. Hell, I think
22 there are some editorial writers on our
23 newspapers who may not think it's
24 important, but I think it's important and
25 I think all the thousands of people who

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2 are affected by this disease, they also
3 think it's important. I think the more
4 people are aware of this disease, the
5 better off all of us are going to be.

6 So, therefore, Madam President,
7 I move for the adoption of the
8 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 and the resolution is
20 adopted.

21 The Chair recognizes Councilman
22 Rizzo.

23 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Madam
24 President, I have seven resolutions and
25 one bill.

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

5 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
6 amending Chapter 20-600 of The
7 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Standards of
8 Conduct and Ethics," by adding
9 anti-nepotism provisions prohibiting City
10 officers and employees, including all
11 elected City officers, from taking or
12 recommending certain personnel actions
13 affecting family members, under certain
14 terms and conditions.

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

18 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
19 recognizing, honoring and celebrating the
20 50th anniversary of WHYY-TV and thanking
21 WHYY-TV for its many contributions to the
22 City of Philadelphia.

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

25 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: I move for

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2 the adoption of the 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 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
16 recognizing, honoring and commending the
17 Philadelphia Multi-Cultural Affairs
18 Congress on the occasion of its 20th
19 anniversary.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:
21 Again, the Chair recognizes Councilman
22 Rizzo.

23 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: I move for
24 the adoption of the resolution.

25 (Duly seconded.)

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
3 has been moved and seconded that the
4 resolution be adopted.

5 All in favor will say aye.
6 (Aye.)

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
8 opposed?

9 (No response.)

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
11 ayes have it and the resolution is
12 adopted.

13 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
14 honoring, recognizing and celebrating the
15 return to our great City of Philadelphia
16 the Kennel Club of Philadelphia Dog Shows
17 and designating the weekend of November
18 15th to 18th as Kennel Club of
19 Philadelphia Dog Shows Weekend.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
21 Chair recognizes Councilman Rizzo.

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

24 (Duly seconded.)

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It

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2 has been moved and seconded that the
3 resolution be adopted.

4 All in favor will say aye.

5 (Aye.)

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
7 opposed?

8 (No response.)

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
10 ayes have it and the resolution is
11 adopted.

12 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
13 honoring, recognizing and thanking Thomas
14 Paine Cronin upon the occasion of his
15 retirement after 35 years of service to
16 District Council 47.

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

19 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: 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 recognizing, honoring and celebrating the
11 HIAS and Council Migration Service of
12 Philadelphia on the occasion of its 125th
13 anniversary.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
15 Chair recognizes Councilman Rizzo.

16 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: I move for
17 the adoption of the resolution.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Do I
19 hear a second?

20 (Duly seconded.)

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

24 All in favor will say aye.

25 (Aye.)

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
3 opposed?

4 (No response.)

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

8 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
9 recognizing, honoring and celebrating
10 James E. Tiano for service to his country
11 in wartime and service to his city in
12 peacetime.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
14 Chair recognizes Councilman Rizzo.

15 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: I move for
16 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 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
6 authorizing City Council's Committee on
7 Technology and Information Services to
8 hold hearings to evaluate the status of
9 Wireless Philadelphia and its progress
10 toward bridging Philadelphia's digital
11 divide.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
13 Chair recognizes Councilman Rizzo.

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

16 (Duly seconded.)

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

20 All in favor will say aye.

21 (Aye.)

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
23 opposed?

24 (No response.)

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

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2 ayes have it, and the resolution will be
3 referred to the Committee on Technology
4 and Information Services.

5 Council will now proceed under
6 a special order of business, a resolution
7 re-calling Bill No. 070189.

8 The Chair recognizes
9 Councilwoman Campbell.

10 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Thank
11 you, Madam President. I offer one
12 resolution. The resolution has been
13 circulated. I move for the adoption of
14 it at this time.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It is
16 my understanding that that resolution was
17 not circulated and that you will be
18 asking for the rules to be suspended.

19 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: It was
20 circulated. I can ask for the rules to
21 be suspended, but it was circulated.
22 That's why I was saying it was
23 circulated.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Oh,
25 it was circulated?

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2 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Yes, it
3 was.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Do I
5 hear a second?

6 (Duly seconded.)

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
8 has been moved and properly seconded.

9 The Clerk will please read the
10 title of the resolution.

11 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
12 requesting the Mayor to return to Council
13 Bill No. 070189, entitled "An ordinance
14 amending Title 6 of The Philadelphia
15 Code, entitled 'Health Code.'"

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

18 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: I move
19 for the adoption of the resolution.

20 (Duly seconded.)

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: All
22 in favor will signify by saying 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 has
5 passed.

6 The Chief Clerk will please
7 read the letter from the Mayor.

8 CHIEF CLERK: To the President
9 and members of the Council of the City of
10 Philadelphia, I'm returning herewith as
11 requested by your resolution adopted
12 September 20, 2007 Bill No. 070189,
13 entitled "An ordinance amending Title 6
14 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled
15 'Health Code,'" for the purpose of
16 reconsideration by the Council of the
17 vote by which said bill passed Council.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
19 you.

20 The Chair recognizes
21 Councilwoman Campbell for a motion that
22 Council reconsider the vote by which Bill
23 No. 070189 was passed.

24 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: So
25 moved.

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2 (Duly seconded.)

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: All

4 in favor will signify by saying aye.

5 (Aye.)

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those

7 opposed?

8 (No response.)

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

10 ayes have it. A majority of all members

11 having voted in the affirmative, the

12 motion carries and the vote by which Bill

13 No. 070189 was passed has been

14 reconsidered.

15 The Chair recognizes

16 Councilwoman Campbell.

17 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Thank

18 you, Madam President. I offer an

19 amendment to Bill No. 070189.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Do I

21 hear a second?

22 (Duly seconded.)

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It

24 has been moved and properly seconded that

25 the amendment to Bill No. 070189 be

1 9/20/07 - STATED - SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS
2 adopted.

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 Bill No. 070189 has been
10 amended. This bill will be placed on the
11 Second Reading and Final Passage Calendar
12 for our next session of Council.

13 We will now consider a
14 resolution re-calling Bill No. 070268.

15 The Chair again recognizes
16 Councilwoman Campbell.

17 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Thank
18 you, Madam President. I offer one
19 resolution. This resolution was
20 circulated yesterday. I move that the
21 rules of Council be suspended to permit
22 the consideration of the resolution at
23 this time.

24 (Duly seconded.)

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It

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2 has been moved and properly seconded that
3 the rules of Council be suspended so as
4 to permit consideration of Councilwoman
5 Campbell's resolution at this time.

6 All in favor will say 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 Clerk will please read the
14 title of the resolution.

15 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: Madam
16 President, point of order.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: I'm
18 sorry.

19 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: I don't
20 have the letter from the Mayor returning
21 these bills.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: I
23 can't hear you.

24 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: I don't
25 have correspondence on my desk from the

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2 Mayor returning these bills. I don't
3 know why they have been returned and what
4 is the amendment.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Would
6 the Chief Clerk please read the letter.
7 This is regarding this bill that we're
8 considering now.

9 CHIEF CLERK: To the President
10 and members of the Council of the City of
11 Philadelphia, I am returning herewith as
12 requested by your resolution adopted
13 today Bill No. 070268, entitled "An
14 ordinance amending Title 15 of The
15 Philadelphia Code, entitled 'Parks and
16 Recreation,'" for the purpose of
17 reconsideration by the Council of the
18 vote by which said bill passed Council.

19 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: May I ask
20 the sponsor what the amendment might be,
21 just for clarification.

22 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Yes.
23 For clarification purposes, originally
24 the time element was 9 o'clock in the
25 morning, and the Administration and the

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2 Commissioner wanted it changed to 6
3 o'clock in the morning to permit people
4 to be at recreation centers at 6 o'clock
5 in the morning. That's the change.

6 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: So you
7 offered an amendment for that change?

8 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: To
9 correct it to 6:00.

10 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: Okay.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
12 Chief Clerk will please read the title of
13 the resolution.

14 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
15 requesting the Mayor to return Council
16 Bill No. 070268, entitled "An ordinance
17 amending Title 15 of The Philadelphia
18 Code, entitled 'Parks and Recreation,' by
19 adding a new Chapter relating to parks
20 and playgrounds and providing for the
21 hours of operation of certain parks and
22 playgrounds."

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
24 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Campbell.

25 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: I move

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2 the adoption of the resolution.
3 (Duly seconded.)
4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: All
5 in favor will signify by saying aye.
6 (Aye.)
7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
8 opposed?
9 (No response.)
10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
11 ayes have it and the resolution has
12 passed.
13 I don't think we have to have
14 the Chief Clerk read the letter from the
15 Mayor again, so at this time, the Chair
16 recognizes Councilwoman Campbell for a
17 motion that Council reconsider the vote
18 by which Bill No. 070268 was passed.
19 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: So
20 moved.
21 (Duly seconded.)
22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: All
23 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. A majority of all members
6 having voted in the affirmative, the
7 motion carries and the vote by which Bill
8 No. 070268 was passed has been
9 reconsidered.

10 The Chair recognizes
11 Councilwoman Campbell.

12 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Thank
13 you, Madam President. I offer an
14 amendment to Bill No. 070268. A copy of
15 the amendment has been circulated to all
16 members of Council. I move the adoption
17 of the amendment.

18 (Duly seconded.)

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
20 has been moved and properly seconded that
21 the amendment to Bill No. 070268 be
22 adopted.

23 All in favor will indicate by
24 saying aye.

25 (Aye.)

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
3 opposed?

4 (No response.)

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
6 ayes have it and Bill No. 070268 has been
7 amended. This bill will be placed on the
8 Second Reading and Final Passage Calendar
9 for our next session of Council.

10 We will now consider a
11 resolution re-calling Bill No. 070394.

12 The Chair recognizes Councilman
13 DiCicco.

14 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Thank you,
15 Madam President. I offer one resolution,
16 and because this resolution was not
17 circulated yesterday, I move that the
18 rules of Council be suspended to permit
19 consideration of this resolution at this
20 time.

21 (Duly seconded.)

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
23 has been moved and properly seconded that
24 the rules of Council be suspended to
25 permit consideration of Councilman

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2 DiCicco's resolution at this time.

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 I would ask the Chief
10 Clerk to please read the title of the
11 resolution.

12 I don't believe the Chief Clerk
13 has a copy of the resolution.

14 (Chief Clerk given a copy of
15 the resolution.)

16 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
17 requesting the Mayor to return to Council
18 Bill No. 070394, entitled "An ordinance
19 authorizing the President of the
20 Fairmount Park Commission and the
21 Executive Director of Fairmount Park to
22 enter into a lease agreement between the
23 City of Philadelphia as landlord and the
24 Philadelphia Authority for Industrial
25 Development as tenant for further

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2 sublease to Historic Philadelphia."

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
4 Chair recognizes Councilman DiCicco.

5 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: I move for
6 the adoption of the resolution.

7 (Duly seconded.)

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: All
9 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. The resolution has been
16 passed.

17 The Clerk will please read the
18 letter from the Mayor.

19 CHIEF CLERK: To the President
20 and members of the Council of the City of
21 Philadelphia, I am returning herewith as
22 requested by your resolution adopted
23 today Bill No. 070394, entitled "An
24 ordinance authorizing the President of
25 the Fairmount Park Commission and the

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2 Executive Director of Fairmount Park to
3 enter into a lease agreement between the
4 City of Philadelphia as landlord and
5 Philadelphia Authority for Industrial
6 Development as tenant."

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
8 Chair recognizes Councilman DiCicco for a
9 motion that Council reconsider the vote
10 by which Bill No. 070394 was passed.

11 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: So moved,
12 Madam President.

13 (Duly seconded.)

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: All
15 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. A majority of all members
22 having voted in the affirmative, the
23 motion carries and the vote by which Bill
24 No. 070394 was passed has been
25 reconsidered.

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2 The Chair recognizes Councilman
3 DiCicco.

4 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Thank you,
5 Madam President. I offer an amendment to
6 Bill No. 070394. A copy of the amendment
7 has been circulated to all members of
8 Council, and I move for the adoption of
9 the amendment at this time.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Do I
11 hear a second?

12 (Duly seconded.)

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
14 has been moved and properly seconded that
15 the amendment to Bill No. 070394 be
16 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 Bill No. 070394 has been
24 amended. This bill will be placed on the
25 Second Reading and Final Passage Calendar

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2 for our next session of Council.

3 The next order of business is
4 the consideration of the Calendar. The
5 Chief Clerk will please read the bills on
6 the First Reading Calendar.

7 CHIEF CLERK: Bill No. 070370,
8 an ordinance amending Title 14-305 of The
9 Philadelphia Code, entitled "C-4
10 Commercial and C-5 Commercial Districts,"
11 to revise parking regulations in the area
12 bounded by Broad Street, Carpenter
13 Street, South 13th Street, Kimball
14 Street, 12th Street and Washington
15 Avenue.

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
17 Chair agrees.

18 CHIEF CLERK: And Bill No.
19 070371, an ordinance to amend the
20 Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the
21 zoning designations of certain areas of
22 land located within an area bounded by
23 Broad Street, Carpenter Street, South
24 13th Street, Kimball Street, 12th Street
25 and Washington Avenue.

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
3 Chair agrees.

4 The Chair now recognizes
5 Councilwoman Blackwell for the purpose of
6 calling up bills on the Second Reading
7 and Final Passage Calendar to be
8 considered today.

9 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
10 you, Madam President. Today on Page 1 we
11 consider Bill No. 040876-A for an
12 amendment. Page 2, Bill No. 060485-A to
13 be amended, with a request for a
14 suspension. We call up 060474-A for
15 second reading and final passage.
16 There's nothing on Page 3, Page 4, Page
17 5. On Page 6 we call up Bill Nos. 070266
18 and 070463 for second reading and final
19 passage, and on Page 7, the last bill, we
20 call up 070459 for an amendment.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
22 you.

23 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: You're
24 welcome.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: All

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2 other bills on the Calendar are being
3 held, and at this time, I would ask the
4 Chief Clerk to please read the title of
5 Bill No. 040876-A.

6 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
7 amending Section 19-2900 of Title 19 of
8 The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Senior
9 Citizen Low Income Special Tax
10 Provisions," by expanding the coverage of
11 the Chapter to include senior citizens
12 who are eligible to participate in the
13 Commonwealth's Pharmaceutical Assistance
14 Contract.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
16 Chair recognizes Councilman Clarke.

17 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Thank you,
18 Madam President. Madam President, as
19 indicated earlier, I would like to offer
20 an amendment to this bill. The amendment
21 has been circulated in the Caucus Room
22 and hopefully in the Chambers. There --
23 it was in the Caucus Room. My error.

24 Madam President, the amendment
25 does two things. On Page 2 of the

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2 amendment, it changes the dates of when
3 this particular legislation would become
4 effective. Number 4 in Section B,
5 there's new language in terms of the
6 timing of the implementation. It would
7 now be implemented in tax year 2009.

8 On Page 3, the entire section
9 is deleted. That section essentially
10 called for the bill to be authorized upon
11 state-enabling legislation. We have
12 deleted that portion of the bill.

13 So I would like to offer this
14 amendment at this time.

15 (Duly seconded.)

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Do
17 you want to move for the adoption,
18 please.

19 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: I move for
20 the adoption of the amendment.

21 (Duly seconded.)

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
23 has been moved and seconded that the
24 amendment 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 motion carries.

8 The Chief Clerk will please
9 read the title of Bill No. 060485-A.

10 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
11 proposing an amendment to the
12 Philadelphia Home Rule Charter relating
13 to the appointment of the members of the
14 Fairmount Park Commission.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:
16 Again, the Chair recognizes Councilman
17 Clarke.

18 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Madam
19 President, I would like to and I'm
20 assuming Councilwoman Brown would like to
21 speak on this particular resolution and
22 ordinance. I will defer to Councilwoman
23 Brown first.

24 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Thank you,
25 Councilman Clarke.

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2 Thank you, Madam President.

3 Before my colleague moves to
4 the actionable take on this bill today,
5 we thought it appropriate to recap all of
6 the activity that has been happening on
7 this bill since spring of 2001.

8 Six years ago, we know that the
9 Daily News published a series of
10 editorials which, in our view, very
11 closely and in a real comprehensive way
12 illustrated how years of financial and
13 management neglect of our parks needed
14 dire attention. That was followed by a
15 resolution introduced by Councilman
16 Clarke and I authorizing hearings on the
17 status of the parks in June 2001.

18 A year later, after receiving
19 funding from both the William Penn
20 Foundation and from the City, a strategic
21 plan process began. In December 2001,
22 the consultants embarked on an 18-month
23 strategic planning process. Eighteen
24 months later, in June 2004, the strategic
25 plan was released with the

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2 recommendations. That same month two
3 days later, Councilman Clarke and I
4 introduced Charter change legislation to,
5 one, adopt a strategic plan and
6 recommending that Fairmount Park and the
7 Department of Recreation be instituted
8 into one governing body.

9 Three months later, that
10 September, Councilman Clarke and I
11 introduced legislation extending the
12 implementation dates of those measures.
13 We then knew that before we could move
14 any further, we needed to have input from
15 the local community, so we sponsored a
16 public forum at the Free Library in
17 December 2005.

18 December 14, 2005 we then held
19 hearings on Charter change legislation
20 where all members of Council, for the
21 most part, raised concerns about the
22 value and merit of Charter change
23 legislation that would merge those two
24 departments.

25 Six months later, May 11, 2006,

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2 Councilman Clarke and I held a Council
3 briefing where we could hear in a
4 non-Council setting the very particular
5 concerns raised by our colleagues.

6 May 25, 2006, recognizing that
7 the support was simply not there for the
8 merging of those two departments, we then
9 introduced legislation that would speak
10 to the next recommendation raised in the
11 strategic plan, and that was to, quote,
12 create a more open and fair process of
13 selecting commissioners.

14 A year later, September 14,
15 2006, we offered amendments based on
16 input both from Fairmount Park Commission
17 members, Fairmount Park Alliance
18 leadership and members, and from our
19 colleagues.

20 This past June 14, 2007, after
21 many meetings, the Fairmount Park
22 Alliance released a letter to the members
23 of Council indicating that they -- and I
24 quote -- gave conditional support of this
25 legislation, pending some important

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2 revisions they believed was critical.

3 We continued to meet in June.

4 We met in August and most of this month,
5 and the good news is that all of those
6 issues that were raised by the new
7 leadership -- and I underscore the new
8 leadership -- of the Fairmount Park
9 Alliance and members have been adequately
10 or appropriately addressed and due for
11 consideration today.

12 So we need to thank the new
13 leadership in Pete Hoskins and those
14 around him who worked with us very, very
15 closely to very meticulously and in a
16 real detailed way examine every single
17 concern raised by the Park Alliance.

18 I would be remiss not to
19 indicate as well that the next great
20 city, which makes up a composition of 90
21 organizations, labor, faith, CDCs and
22 community-based organizations as well, in
23 recent months have followed the process
24 and have met with us to indicate their
25 support for this next step we would like

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2 to take today.

3 So with that said, I pass the
4 ball to Councilman Clarke for further
5 comment.

6 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Thank you,
7 Councilwoman.

8 Thank you, Madam President.

9 Madam President, as indicated
10 earlier by Councilwoman Brown, this
11 particular initiative has a long history,
12 an extremely elusive history. I don't
13 think that I've ever worked on any
14 legislation that has not only taken so
15 long but it's taken as many twists and
16 turns as this particular piece of
17 legislation has taken.

18 Today, as the Councilwoman
19 indicated, we have before us members of
20 the Alliance and other park advocates who
21 in May actually were not comfortable with
22 the position that we were taking. And I
23 want to also commend them for the
24 wonderful work that they've done, not
25 only on this initiative but just on the

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2 parks in general.

3 I just want to for the record,
4 because I know that in the Caucus Room a
5 couple of members had asked about some of
6 the legislative history of this. If you
7 recall, in May there was actually a
8 number of amendments that talked about a
9 transition commission, which is
10 essentially an entity that will allow us
11 to move forward on this very important
12 initiative. We talked about a nominating
13 panel that would be named by the new
14 Mayor, the new Administration, because
15 people thought that we wanted to get the
16 new Mayor engaged since they would have
17 the authority to deal with the Park
18 Commission as we moved ahead, and we
19 agreed to that.

20 Then we talked about some
21 levels of qualifications of the
22 commissioners, and, understandably,
23 people thought that we should have people
24 who were qualified but not from a
25 perspective of not having the average

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2 person on the Commission, and we wanted
3 to make sure that everybody had an
4 opportunity. The only thing that we
5 insisted, that that person really cared
6 and loved the Fairmount Parks and their
7 mission was to move the park forward,
8 because it is such a wonderful treasure
9 in our City of Philadelphia.

10 Then we talked about the
11 timeline of the Commission. There were
12 some concerns about that timeline being
13 in the end of the current Administration,
14 and we agreed to move that forward.

15 Today, we are prepared to offer
16 amendments, as referenced by Councilwoman
17 Brown, amendments that were agreed upon
18 and I understand that were voted on
19 unanimously by the Park Alliance group
20 and very enthusiastically. And as you
21 can see, they're standing here with
22 signs.

23 You all need to get bigger
24 signs next time. I can't see some of
25 them. Get bigger signs.

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2 But, again, I bring up the term
3 "elusive." So today in talking to a
4 number of my colleagues, there were again
5 some concerns raised, and I understand
6 because some of this was at the 11th
7 hour, because we had actually finalized
8 the amendments as late as yesterday,
9 understanding that they hadn't had an
10 opportunity. And I think that from a
11 conceptual standpoint, I think every
12 member in this room -- well, I know every
13 member in this room wants to make sure
14 that we have a more open process, a more
15 transparent process as it relates to the
16 selection of commissioners. So I don't
17 think that particular concern that were
18 raised were related to those issues.

19 Unfortunately, I don't think --
20 and I say "unfortunately" in caps,
21 because a lot of people have been working
22 a long time on this particular
23 legislation. I don't think that we will
24 be prepared to ask for a final vote on
25 this today, because, as you know, there's

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2 a requirement for two-thirds; i.e., super
3 majority, and I'm not sure that we're in
4 a position to be prepared to do that
5 today.

6 As a legislator, from a
7 personal perspective, I'm not the type of
8 Councilperson that will ask people to
9 vote for a bill if I'm not sure that the
10 votes are there. That's just not my
11 style. I don't like to ask people to
12 take a controversial vote if it's not
13 needed.

14 So I say all that to say that
15 at this particular time, it appears that
16 we're not going to proceed on this
17 legislation at this time. And there are
18 a lot of issues that are off the radar
19 screen that have caused us to be in this
20 position today, and I won't get into that
21 at this moment, but we did not make this
22 decision lightly, because I really wanted
23 to move this today and I think it's the
24 appropriate thing to do. It effectively
25 changes the process of selection of

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2 Commission members. It effectively
3 creates an environment where a panel, a
4 qualified panel, makes those
5 recommendations to the Mayor. It
6 effectively gives the new Mayor an
7 opportunity to bring his recommendations
8 to this City Council for approval, as it
9 is with the rest of the Commission, in a
10 public hearing. It gives citizens an
11 opportunity to have their say, to have
12 their input into that selection process.

13 I think that that is a process
14 that should happen. It is long overdue.
15 Frankly speaking, I don't know why we're
16 not doing it today beyond the fact that
17 we may not be in the position to get the
18 two-thirds majority. But as a result of
19 that, we will not be moving the
20 resolution and the ordinance today, but I
21 will ask for the body to support the
22 amendments that have been circulated.

23 There are essentially, I think,
24 three issues in the amendments. One
25 talks about membership. We wanted to

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2 define the membership to make sure that
3 it's inclusive of the Water Commissioner
4 and the Recreation Commissioner as voting
5 members of that body given the nature of
6 the park systems, the watershed issues
7 and the recreational issues. We think
8 it's appropriate to have those members on
9 the Commission.

10 In the earlier version we had
11 asked for a two-thirds majority vote on
12 affirmation of members of the Commission.
13 The members of the Alliance suggested
14 that and really requested that we do a
15 majority in terms of affirmation. My
16 understanding based on the Solicitor,
17 that if not all, the overwhelming
18 majority of Commissioners that are voted
19 on in Council are only done by a majority
20 vote. This amendment will do that.

21 The other thing, it talks about
22 the duties and responsibilities of the
23 new commissioners. As I spoke earlier,
24 about making sure that those people have
25 certain duties and responsibilities that

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2 talk about the park system, and we wanted
3 to instill language that is not
4 restricted to the language that's in the
5 bill, because we do believe that there
6 should be opportunities for people if
7 they don't have a specific skill as it
8 relates to understanding park systems.
9 We want people to have an opportunity
10 just because they love the park and are
11 committed to the park system.

12 That is essentially -- oh, then
13 there's also language with respect to the
14 changing of the dates. In the earlier
15 version, it had the dates listed for the
16 May primary, and we wanted to solidify
17 the dates. It talks about the
18 commencement of the dates relating to
19 some of the movement on the selection
20 process as it relates to nomination panel
21 and subsequently selection and referral
22 of those recommendations to City Council.

23 So I would ask for the support
24 of this amendment, with the understanding
25 that we will not be asking for a vote

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2 today, and hopefully throughout the next
3 several months, it will allow other
4 people to have an opportunity to be
5 involved in the discussion as we move
6 forward and hopefully be in a position to
7 have this legislation passed before the
8 end of the year.

9 So I make a motion for the
10 adoption of an amendment to Resolution
11 No. 060485.

12 (Duly seconded.)

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
14 has been moved and seconded that the
15 amendments 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 amendments have been
23 approved.

24 I would ask the Chief Clerk to
25 please read the next bill, please,

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2 Bill --

3 CHIEF CLERK: Bill No --

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: I'm
5 sorry; Bill No. 070266.

6 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
7 amending Section 14-1605 of The
8 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Regulated
9 Uses," by adding a definition for "gun
10 shop" and designating gun shops as
11 regulated uses, all under certain terms
12 and conditions.

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

17 The Chief Clerk will please
18 call the roll.

19 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
20 Blackwell.

21 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

22 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
23 Campbell.

24 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Aye.

25 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman

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2 Clarke.
3 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.
4 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
5 DiCicco.
6 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.
7 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Goode.
8 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
9 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
10 Greenlee.
11 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Aye.
12 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.
13 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.
14 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
15 Kenney.
16 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
17 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
18 Krajewski.
19 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
20 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
21 Miller.
22 (No response.)
23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:
24 Councilwoman Miller, how are you voting
25 on this bill?

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2 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
3 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
4 O'Neill.
5 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
6 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
7 Reynolds Brown.
8 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.
9 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.
10 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
11 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
12 Savage.
13 COUNCILMAN SAVAGE: Aye.
14 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
15 Tasco.
16 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
17 CHIEF CLERK: Council President
18 Verna.
19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
20 The ayes are 16; the nays are
21 zero. A majority of all members having
22 voted in the affirmative, this bill
23 passes.
24 We will now consider Bill No.
25 070463.

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2 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance to
3 amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by
4 changing the zoning designations of land
5 located within an area bounded by
6 Pennsylvania Avenue, 20th Street, the
7 Benjamin Franklin Parkway and 21st Street
8 from partly Class Recreation, all under
9 certain terms and conditions.

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

14 The Chief Clerk will please
15 call the roll.

16 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
17 Blackwell.

18 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

19 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
20 Campbell.

21 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Aye.

22 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
23 Clarke.

24 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

25 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman

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

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2 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.

3 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

4 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman

5 Savage.

6 COUNCILMAN SAVAGE: 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 16; the nays are
14 zero. A majority of all members having
15 voted in the affirmative, this bill
16 passes.

17 The next -- well, we have
18 Resolution No. 070474 to be considered
19 next. I'm sorry. We have to consider
20 the ordinance, Bill No. 070459.

21 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
22 providing for the submission to the
23 qualified electors of the City of
24 Philadelphia of an amendment to the
25 Philadelphia Home Rule Charter creating

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2 the office of Inspector General, as
3 approved by Resolution of City Council.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: This
5 bill having been read on two different
6 days -- I'm sorry.

7 Councilwoman Campbell.

8 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Thank
9 you, Madam President. I offer an
10 amendment to Bill No. 070459. A copy of
11 the amendment has been circulated to all
12 the members of Council. I move for the
13 adoption of the amendment.

14 (Duly seconded.)

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It
16 has been moved and seconded that the
17 amendments as submitted by Councilwoman
18 Campbell be adopted.

19 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: Point of
20 order.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: I'm
22 sorry. Councilwoman Tasco.

23 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: Council
24 President, we have not received the
25 amendments. I think the amendments were

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2 circulated in the Caucus Room. They
3 really should be on our desks in here.
4 So I don't know what the amendment is.
5 She circulated them, but I think she
6 circulated them in the Caucus Room. We
7 don't have them here.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Does
9 the Chief Clerk have a copy?

10 CHIEF CLERK: No.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
12 Chief Clerk doesn't have a copy either.
13 I don't think I have either.

14 Do all members have a copy of
15 the amendment?

16 (No.)

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:
18 Members do not have copies of the
19 amendment. Please circulate them again.

20 (Copies of the amendment are
21 circulated.)

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Do
23 all members now have a copy of the
24 proposed amendment?

25 (Yes.)

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna:

3 Councilwoman Tasco, your light is on. Do
4 you want to be recognized?

5 COUNCILWOMAN TESCO: No.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: All
7 right. The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
8 Campbell.

9 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Does
10 everyone have a copy of the amendment
11 now?

12 I offer an amendment to the
13 Bill 070459. A copy of the amendment has
14 now been circulated to all the members of
15 Council. I move for the adoption of this
16 amendment.

17 (Duly seconded.)

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It
19 has been moved and seconded that the
20 amendment 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 amendment has been
4 adopted.

5 Councilwoman Campbell, may I
6 have your attention for just a moment?

7 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Yes.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:
9 You're going to be holding Bill No.
10 070459 for consideration today; are you
11 not?

12 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: That's
13 right.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Fine.
15 Thank you.

16 That concludes our Calendar for
17 today.

18 Are there speeches on the part
19 of the minority?

20 (No response.)

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Are
22 there speeches on the part of the
23 majority?

24 The Chair recognizes
25 Councilwoman Brown.

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2 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Council
3 President, I just would like to lift up
4 and give a celebration to the new School
5 Reform Commission Chairperson, Sandra
6 Dungee Glenn, who we know has an enormous
7 task ahead of her, but we know that she's
8 capable and tough, serious and connected
9 to the parents of the 200,000 children
10 that attend our Philadelphia public
11 school. So we all want to wish her well.

12 Thank you, Madam President.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:
14 You're welcome.

15 If there are no further
16 speeches, the Chair recognizes
17 Councilwoman Tasco for a motion to
18 adjourn.

19 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Madam
20 President, I move that Council stand
21 adjourned until Thursday, September the
22 27th at 10:00 a.m.

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

25 (Duly seconded.)

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It
3 has been moved and seconded that Council
4 stand adjourned until Thursday, September
5 27th.

6 All in favor will say aye.

7 (Aye.)

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Those
9 opposed?

10 (No response.)

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
12 ayes have it. The motion carries.

13 Thank you.

14 (Stated Meeting adjourned at
15 12:17 a.m.)

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