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COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA

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Room 400, City Hall
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Thursday, May 18, 2006
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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COUNCILMAN DARRELL L. CLARKE

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COUNCILMAN FRANK DiCICCO

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COUNCILMAN W. WILSON GOODE, JR.

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COUNCILMAN JACK KELLY

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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 MICHAEL A. NUTTER

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COUNCILMAN BRIAN J. O'NEILL

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COUNCILMAN JUAN RAMOS

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COUNCILWOMAN BLONDELL REYNOLDS BROWN

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COUNCILMAN FRANK RIZZO

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COUNCILWOMAN MARIAN B. TASCO

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COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Good morning, everyone. I note that the hour has come and that a quorum of this Council is present.

Council will please come to order. Members will take their seats, and I would request that visitors retire to the seats outside the rails.

To give our invocation this morning, the Chair is privileged to have Councilwoman Blackwell.

I would ask all members and guests to please rise.

COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Good morning. I thank you, Madam President, all members of Council. I give honor to God and thank him for the privilege of giving this invocation today.

Heavenly Father, we thank you for bringing us here today. We ask that you give this Council the wisdom and the commitment to do thy will in serving thy people. We ask that you bless their staffs, the families and the homes from

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2 which they have come. And, Father, we
3 ask that you bless those who are homeless
4 and those who are hungry. Bless those
5 who live on streets and in abandoned
6 homes. We ask that you bless them.

7 We ask that you bless those who
8 are employed and those who are
9 underemployed, and we ask, Father, that
10 you help them in all their struggles in
11 retaining jobs.

12 And, Father, we ask that you
13 keep us all, help us to do thy will, to
14 have clarity of thought and commitment of
15 the heart.

16 And, finally, from St. Jude we
17 read the benediction, Chapter 1, verses
18 24 and 25. Then unto Him that is able to
19 keep you from falling and to present you
20 faultless before the presence of His
21 glory with exceeding joy. To the only
22 wise God, our Saviour, be glory and
23 majesty, dominion and power, both now and
24 forever more.

25 Amen.

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Amen.

3 The Chair thanks Councilwoman
4 Blackwell.

5 The next order of business is
6 the approval of the Journal of the
7 meeting of Thursday, May 11, 2006, and
8 the Chair again recognizes Councilwoman
9 Blackwell.

10 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
11 you, Madam President. I move that the
12 Journal of the meeting of Thursday, May
13 11, 2006 stand approved.

14 (Duly seconded.)

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
16 has been moved and properly seconded that
17 the Journal of the meeting of Thursday,
18 May 11, 2006 stand approved.

19 All in favor will please
20 indicate by 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 Journal of the
3 meeting of Thursday, May 11, 2006 is
4 approved.

5 The next order of business is
6 requests for leave of absence, and the
7 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell.

8 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
9 you, Madam President. On behalf of the
10 Majority, there are no requests for
11 leaves of absence.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
13 you very much.

14 The Chair recognizes Councilman
15 Rizzo.

16 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Madam
17 President, no requests for leave from the
18 republicans.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
20 Chair thanks the gentleman.

21 The Chair will dispense with
22 the regular order of business to
23 recognize guests and visitors joining us
24 in Chambers this morning. On behalf of
25 all members of Council, I welcome you to

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2 our Council session. We appreciate your
3 taking the time to join us as we attend
4 to the legislative affairs of our City.
5 We certainly invite you to come again.

6 At this time, the Chair
7 recognizes Councilman Clarke, who will
8 present a resolution commemorating
9 Philadelphia's City Hall for being
10 awarded as a national historic civil
11 engineering landmark.

12 Will Mr. Christopher Menna and
13 those accompanying him please join the
14 Councilman at the podium.

15 Councilman Rizzo will be
16 joining Councilman Clarke.

17 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Thank you,
18 Madam President.

19 Commemorating Philadelphia's
20 City Hall for being awarded the honorable
21 distinction as a national historic civil
22 engineering landmark by the American
23 Society of Civil Engineers.

24 Whereas, Philadelphia's City
25 Hall, one of the City's greatest

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2 architectural treasures, is literally in
3 the heart of Philadelphia, in the square,
4 William Penn's exact geographical center
5 of his plan for Philadelphia; and

6 Whereas, the building designed
7 by John McArthur, Jr. was constructed
8 over a 30-year period starting in 1871;
9 and

10 Whereas, being almost square in
11 plan with a center exterior courtyard and
12 two lightwells, the building contains
13 over one square feet of interior space
14 and about 700 rooms, making it the
15 largest city hall in the country; and

16 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Whereas, its
17 richly ornamented perimeter facades
18 extend nearly 500 feet along each side
19 and the masonry on the tower rises to 37
20 feet, with the top of William Penn's hat
21 topping the tower at 548 feet and
22 weighing almost 27 tons; and

23 Whereas, the facades, the
24 50-story clock tower and the four portal
25 entries are adorned throughout with a

12 Now, therefore resolved, that
13 the Council of the City of Philadelphia,
14 hereby commemorates Philadelphia's City
15 Hall, awarded the honorable distinction
16 as the national historic civil
17 engineering landmark by the American
18 Society of Civil Engineers; and

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

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2 to speak before you today and help make
3 this effort possible.

4 As a reminder, we would like to
5 say that the dedication ceremony will be
6 this Monday, the 22nd at 12:00 noon in
7 Dilworth Plaza, and we strongly encourage
8 all of you to attend. The plaque itself
9 is located in the east portal next to the
10 City Hall office. We also encourage you
11 to see that.

12 Thank you very much.

13 (Applause.)

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

15 Council will be at ease.

16 (Council at ease.)

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
18 next order of business is communications.
19 The Chair requests that the
20 Sergeant-At-Arms deliver the messages
21 from the Mayor to the Chief Clerk.

22 The Chief Clerk will please
23 read the messages from the Mayor.

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

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2 Philadelphia, I am pleased to advise you
3 that on May 18, 2006, I signed all of the
4 remaining bills passed by Council at its
5 session on May 4, 2006; and

6 I am transmitting for the
7 introduction and consideration of your
8 honorable body an ordinance authorizing
9 the Commissioner of Public Property and
10 the Director of Commerce, acting on
11 behalf of the City, to purchase from
12 LaFrance Corporation any and all
13 interests in the parcel of property known
14 as 8425 Executive Avenue; and

15 An ordinance removing a portion
16 of a property in the 65th Ward of the
17 City, in the vicinity of the Delaware
18 River, from the Philadelphia Keystone
19 Opportunity Zone; and

20 An ordinance amending Section 2
21 of an ordinance, Bill No. 030347,
22 approved July 31, 2003, by extending the
23 period for compliance with the
24 authorization conditions therein; and

25 An ordinance authorizing the

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2 paving of Sloan Street from Fairmount
3 Avenue to Aspen Street; and

4 An ordinance authorizing and
5 directing the revision of lines and
6 grades on a portion of City Plan No. 105;
7 and

8 An ordinance to amend the
9 Institutional Development District Master
10 Plan of Temple University to be used for
11 the Tyler School of Art; and

12 An ordinance to amend the
13 Institutional Development District Master
14 Plan of Temple University to be used for
15 the Fox School of Business and
16 Management; and

17 To Council President Verna,
18 transmitted with this letter are
19 amendments to the FY07 Operating and
20 Capital Budgets agreed to by the
21 Administration.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
23 you. The messages will be printed in the
24 Journal.

25 I would ask the Chief Clerk to

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2 please read any other communications in
3 her possession.

4 CHIEF CLERK: That's all I
5 have, Madam President.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
7 you.

8 The next order of business is
9 the introduction of bills and
10 resolutions.

11 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Madam
12 President, point of order.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Yes.
14 The Chair recognizes Councilman DiCicco.

15 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Thank you,
16 Madam President. I need to leave the
17 Chambers for about an hour -- I'm not
18 sure what time I'll be back -- on Council
19 business. I'd like to have my vote
20 recorded aye on all bills. I'm not
21 certain on the resolutions because I
22 haven't had a chance to read those, but
23 on all bills, I'd like to be recorded as
24 voting aye.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: How

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2 about the amendments?

3 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: And

4 amendments.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

6 You're voting in favor of the amendments?

7 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Yes.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank

9 you.

10 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Thank you.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Leave

12 will be granted.

13 The next order of business, as

14 I said, is the introduction of bills and

15 resolutions.

16 The Chair recognizes

17 Councilwoman Blackwell for a motion.

18 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank

19 you, Madam President. I move that the

20 rules of Council be suspended to consider

21 resolutions at their time of

22 introduction.

23 (Duly seconded.)

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It

25 has been moved and properly seconded that

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

5 All in favor will 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 motion carries.

12 The Chair recognizes Councilman
13 Kenney.

14 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you,
15 Madam President. I offer two bills and
16 one resolution.

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 Section 20-101 of The
23 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Residence
24 Requirements," by providing that an
25 employee in the civil service need not be

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2 a bona fide resident of the City when
3 appointed, but must establish and
4 maintain bona fide residence in the City
5 within six months after appointment.

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

9 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
10 providing for the submission to the
11 qualified electors of the City of
12 Philadelphia of the proposal set forth in
13 a resolution approved by Council
14 proposing amendment to the Philadelphia
15 Home Rule Charter requiring District
16 Councilmembers to be residents of the
17 district from which they were elected for
18 at least one year prior to their
19 election.

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

23 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
24 proposing an amendment to the
25 Philadelphia Home Rule Charter requiring

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2 District Councilmembers to be residents
3 of the district from which they were
4 elected for at least one year prior to
5 their election.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
7 resolution will be referred to the
8 appropriate committee, and the Chair
9 recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell.

10 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
11 you, Madam President. Today I introduce
12 four bills, one of which is on your
13 behalf by request, and three resolutions.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
15 you.

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

18 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
19 authorizing the Commissioner of Public
20 Property and the Director of Commerce,
21 acting on behalf of the City, to purchase
22 from LaFrance Company property known as
23 8425 Executive Avenue.

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

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2 committee.

3 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
4 authorizing the Trustees of the
5 University of Pennsylvania, University of
6 Pennsylvania Health System, 3400 Spruce
7 Street, to construct and maintain a
8 pedestrian bridge across Convention
9 Avenue.

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

13 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
14 authorizing and directing the revision of
15 lines and grades on a portion of City
16 Plan No. 105.

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

20 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
21 authorizing the paving of Sloan Street
22 from Fairmount Avenue to Aspen Street.

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 for the Philadelphia City
4 Planning Commission to retain its staff
5 during and after the reorganization of
6 housing agencies.

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

9 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
10 you, Madam President. I move for the
11 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 please
17 indicate by saying aye.

18 (Aye.)

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
20 opposed?

21 (No response.)

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Can I
23 have everyone's attention, please.

24 All in favor of the adoption of
25 the resolution will please say aye.

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2 (Aye.)

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
4 opposed?

5 (No response.)

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

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

11 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
12 recognizing Ruby Lorraine Dowd in her
13 retirement from the City of Philadelphia
14 Police Department after 35 years of
15 dedicated service to her city and
16 community.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:
18 Again, the Chair recognizes Councilwoman
19 Blackwell.

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

23 (Duly seconded.)

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

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2 resolution be adopted.

3 All in favor will indicate by
4 saying 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 calling for 50 percent of all Community
14 Development Block Grant dollars dedicated
15 to funding services to the homeless,
16 including prevention services, to be used
17 to implement the Mayor's ten-year plan to
18 end homelessness, and further calling for
19 the Office of Emergency Shelter and
20 Services to implement said plan.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
22 Chair recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell.

23 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
24 you, Madam President. I move for the
25 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 indicate by
7 saying aye.

8 (Aye.)

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
10 opposed?

11 (No response.)

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

15 The Chair recognizes
16 Councilwoman Krajewski.

17 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Madam
18 President, I offer one bill.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
20 you.

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

23 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
24 removing a portion of a property in the
25 65th Ward of the City, in the vicinity of

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2 the Delaware River, from the Philadelphia
3 Keystone Opportunity Zone.

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

7 The Chair recognizes
8 Councilwoman Tasco.

9 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Madam
10 President, I have no bills or resolutions
11 today.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
13 you.

14 The Chair recognizes
15 Councilwoman Miller.

16 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Thank
17 you, Madam President. Today I have one
18 bill, one resolution and one amendment.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
20 you.

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

23 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
24 authorizing Temple University, 1601 North
25 Broad Street, its successors and assigns,

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2 to construct an overhead pedestrian
3 bridge crossing the 1400 block of West
4 Tioga Street.

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

8 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
9 authorizing the Commissioner of Public
10 Property to execute and deliver to the
11 Redevelopment Authority deeds located in
12 the 12th and 22nd Wards of the City of
13 Philadelphia.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna:
15 Again, the Chair recognizes Councilwoman
16 Miller.

17 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: I move
18 for the 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 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 the resolution is
7 adopted.

8 The Chair recognizes Councilman
9 Nutter.

10 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: I have an
11 amendment, Council President.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: I'm
13 sorry. An amendment to?

14 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Do you
15 have a copy?

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:
17 Councilwoman, I think your amendment is a
18 bill on the Calendar.

19 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: You're
20 right. Okay. Thank you.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
22 you.

23 Councilman Nutter.

24 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Thank you,
25 Madam President. Madam President, I

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2 offer one bill with the appropriate
3 attachments, and I circulated a
4 resolution yesterday. I've had a couple
5 conversations with colleagues, and what
6 I'm going to do is hold that resolution
7 pending additional conversation about
8 some of the elements related to that
9 particular resolution.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
11 you.

12 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Thank you.

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

16 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
17 consenting to the assignment of Area II
18 cable television franchise from Time
19 Warner Cable to Time Warner New York
20 Cable.

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

24 The Chair recognizes
25 Councilwoman Brown.

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2 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Thank you,
3 Madam President. I offer one bill today.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
5 you.

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

8 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
9 amending Chapter 10-300 of The
10 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Minors," by
11 amending the hours of the curfew for
12 minors; and by amending the enforcement
13 provisions, including, but not limited
14 to, increasing the penalties for minors.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
16 bill will be referred -- yes,
17 Councilwoman Brown.

18 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Madam
19 President, I failed to mention that this
20 bill is co-sponsored by colleagues
21 Councilman Frank DiCicco and Councilman
22 Jim Kenney, along with Clarke and Donna
23 Reed Miller. Thank you.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
25 you. The bill will be referred to the

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2 appropriate committee.

3 The Chair recognizes Councilman

4 Goode.

5 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you,

6 Madam President. I have no bills or

7 resolutions.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

9 Chair thanks the gentleman.

10 The Chair recognizes Councilman

11 Ramos.

12 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Thank you,

13 Madam President. I offer one bill and

14 one resolution on behalf of the 7th

15 Councilmanic District and one bill on

16 behalf of Councilman DiCicco.

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 to

22 amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by

23 changing the zoning designations of

24 certain areas of land located within an

25 area bounded by 5th Street, Jefferson

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2 Street, Orkney Street and Master Street.

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

6 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
7 amending Section 2 of an ordinance, Bill
8 No. 030347, approved July 31, 2003, by
9 extending the period for compliance with
10 authorization conditions therein.

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

14 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
15 authorizing the Commissioner of Public
16 Property to execute and deliver to the
17 Redevelopment Authority deeds located in
18 the 23rd Ward of the City of
19 Philadelphia.

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

22 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Thank you,
23 Madam President. I move for the adoption
24 of the resolution.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Do I

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2 hear a second?

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 indicate by
8 saying 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 is
15 adopted.

16 The Chair recognizes Councilman
17 O'Neill.

18 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Madam
19 President, I offer one bill.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
21 you.

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

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

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2 changing the zoning designations of
3 certain areas of land located within an
4 area bounded by Montgomery County Line,
5 Pine Road, Bloomfield Avenue, Verree Road
6 and Red Lion Road.

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

10 The Chair recognizes Councilman
11 Clarke.

12 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Thank you,
13 Madam President. Madam President, I have
14 two bills, three resolutions, one
15 resolution co-sponsored by Councilwoman
16 Donna Reed Miller and Councilman Rizzo.

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 to
22 amend the Institutional Development
23 District Master Plan of Temple University
24 for allowing for the construction of a
25 new building to be used for the Fox

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2 School of Business and Management.

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

6 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
7 to amend the Institutional Development
8 District Master Plan of Temple University
9 by allowing for the construction of a new
10 building to be used for the Tyler School
11 of Art.

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

15 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
16 authorizing the Commissioner of Public
17 Property to execute and deliver to the
18 Redevelopment Authority deeds located in
19 the 14th, 18th, 28th and 47th Wards of
20 the City of Philadelphia.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
22 Chair recognizes Councilman Clarke.

23 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: 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 properly seconded that
4 the resolution be adopted.

5 All in favor will signify by
6 saying aye.

7 (Aye.)

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
9 opposed?

10 (No response.)

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

14 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
15 authorizing the Commissioner of Public
16 Property to execute and deliver to the
17 Redevelopment Authority deeds located in
18 the 20th and 37th Wards of the City of
19 Philadelphia.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
21 Chair again recognizes Councilman Clarke.

22 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: I move for
23 the adoption.

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 calling upon the Mayor to appoint a
14 Public Safety Video Surveillance Task
15 Force.

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
17 Chair again recognizes Councilman Clarke.

18 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: I move for
19 the adoption.

20 (Duly seconded.)

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
22 has been moved and seconded that the
23 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 The Chair recognizes Councilman
9 Kelly.

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

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
14 Chair thanks the gentleman.

15 The Chair recognizes Councilman
16 Rizzo.

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

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
20 you.

21 The next order of business is
22 reports from committees, and the Chair
23 recognizes Councilman Clarke for a report
24 from the Committee on Public Property and
25 Public Works.

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2 Councilman Clarke.

3 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Yes. Thank
4 you, Madam President. Madam President,
5 the Committee on Public Property and
6 Public Works reports five bills with a
7 favorable recommendation.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
9 you.

10 The Chief Clerk will please
11 read the report.

12 CHIEF CLERK: To the President
13 and members of the Council of the City of
14 Philadelphia, the Committee on Public
15 Property and Public Works, to which was
16 referred Bill No. 060143, entitled "An
17 ordinance authorizing the Commissioner of
18 Public Property, on behalf of the City,
19 to enter into a further amendment to a
20 lease between the City and the Far
21 Northeast Senior Citizens"; and

22 Bill No. 060203, entitled "An
23 ordinance authorizing the Commissioner of
24 Public Property, on behalf of the City of
25 Philadelphia, to acquire fee simple title

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2 to certain or all City real estate
3 parcels in Tinicum Township, Delaware
4 County"; and

5 Bill No. 060204, entitled "An
6 ordinance authorizing the Commissioner of
7 Public Property to execute and deliver to
8 the Philadelphia Authority for Industrial
9 Development a deed located at 8011
10 Frankford Avenue"; and

11 Bill No. 060206, entitled "An
12 ordinance authorizing the Commissioner of
13 Public Property to execute and deliver to
14 the Philadelphia Authority for Industrial
15 Development a deed located at 140 to 54
16 North Christopher Columbus Boulevard";
17 and

18 Bill No. 060207, entitled "An
19 ordinance authorizing the Commissioner of
20 Public Property, on behalf of the City of
21 Philadelphia, to extend the term of a
22 lease agreement between the Southeastern
23 Pennsylvania Transportation Authority as
24 landlord and the City of Philadelphia as
25 tenant for office space at 1234 Market

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2 Street, all under certain terms and
3 conditions," respectfully reports it has
4 considered the same and returns the
5 attached bills to Council with a
6 favorable recommendation.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
8 you.

9 The Chair again recognizes
10 Councilman Clarke.

11 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Madam
12 President, I move that the rules of
13 Council be suspended so as to permit
14 first reading this day of Bill Nos.
15 060143, 060203, 060204, 060206 and
16 060207.

17 (Duly seconded.)

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
19 has been moved and properly seconded that
20 the rules of Council be suspended so as
21 to permit first reading this day of bills
22 just read by the Chief Clerk.

23 All in favor will please
24 indicate by 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 the bills just read
7 will be placed on our First Reading
8 Calendar for today.

9 At this time, the Chair
10 recognizes Councilman Ramos for a report
11 from the Committee on Labor and Civil
12 Service.

13 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Thank you,
14 Madam President. The Committee on Labor
15 and Civil Service reports five bills with
16 a favorable recommendation.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
18 you.

19 The Chief Clerk will please
20 read the report.

21 CHIEF CLERK: To the President
22 and members of the Council of the City of
23 Philadelphia, the Committee on Labor and
24 Civil Service, to which was referred Bill
25 No. 050795, entitled "An ordinance

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2 amending Title 20 of The Philadelphia
3 Code, by creating a new Chapter 20-1100,
4 entitled 'Employee Benefits,' to provide
5 for certain benefits for City employees
6 on military leave of absence"; and

7 Bill No. 051066, entitled "An
8 ordinance amending Title 22 of The
9 Philadelphia Code, entitled 'Public
10 Employees Retirement Code,' by amending
11 Section 22-105 relating to the definition
12 of 'compensation,' and repealing a
13 previous ordinance that added the
14 language now to be deleted"; and

15 Bill No. 060244, entitled "An
16 ordinance amending Chapter 22-300 of The
17 Philadelphia Code, by amending Section
18 22-306, entitled 'Retirement Survivorship
19 Benefit Options'"; and

20 Bill No. 060265, entitled "An
21 ordinance amending Title 22 of The
22 Philadelphia Code, entitled 'Public
23 Employees Retirement Code,' by amending
24 various provisions to incorporate benefit
25 enhancements provided under recent labor

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2 arbitration awards"; and

3 Bill No. 060289, entitled "An
4 ordinance amending Title 9 of The
5 Philadelphia Code, entitled 'Regulation
6 of Businesses, Trades and Professions,'
7 by adding a new Chapter entitled 'Sheet
8 Metal Technician,'" respectfully reports
9 it has considered and amended the same
10 and returns the attached bills to Council
11 with a favorable recommendation.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
13 you.

14 The Chair recognizes Councilman
15 Ramos.

16 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Madam
17 President, I move that the rules of
18 Council be suspended so as to permit
19 first reading this day of Bill Nos.
20 050795, 051066, 060244, 060265 and
21 060289.

22 (Duly seconded.)

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
24 has been moved and properly seconded that
25 the rules of Council be suspended so as

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2 to permit first reading this day of the
3 bills just read by the Chief Clerk.

4 All in favor will please say
5 aye.

6 (Aye.)

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
8 opposed?

9 (No response.)

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

14 The next order of business is
15 the consideration of the Calendar. The
16 Chief Clerk will please read the bills on
17 the First Reading Calendar.

18 CHIEF CLERK: Bill No. 060143,
19 an ordinance authorizing the Commissioner
20 of Public Property, on behalf of the
21 City, to enter into a further amendment
22 to a lease between the City and the Far
23 Northeast Senior Citizens.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
25 Chair agrees.

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2 CHIEF CLERK: And Bill No.

3 060203, an ordinance authorizing the
4 Commissioner of Public Property, on
5 behalf of the City of Philadelphia, to
6 acquire fee simple title to interest, in
7 the form of avigation easements, in some
8 or all such parcels, all under certain
9 terms and conditions.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
11 Chair agrees.

12 CHIEF CLERK: And Bill No.

13 060204, an ordinance authorizing the
14 Commissioner of Public Property to
15 execute and deliver to the Philadelphia
16 Authority for Industrial Development a
17 deed located at 8011 Frankford Avenue.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
19 Chair agrees.

20 CHIEF CLERK: And Bill No.

21 060206, an ordinance authorizing the
22 Commissioner of Public Property to
23 execute and deliver to the Philadelphia
24 Authority for Industrial Development a
25 deed located at 140 to 54 North

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2 Christopher Columbus Boulevard.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
4 Chair agrees.

5 CHIEF CLERK: And Bill No.
6 060207, an ordinance authorizing the
7 Commissioner of Public Property, on
8 behalf of the City of Philadelphia, to
9 extend the term of a lease between
10 Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation
11 Authority and the City of Philadelphia.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
13 Chair agrees.

14 CHIEF CLERK: And Bill No.
15 050795, an ordinance amending Title 20 of
16 The Philadelphia Code, to provide for
17 certain benefits for City employees on
18 military leave of absence.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
20 Chair agrees.

21 CHIEF CLERK: And Bill No.
22 051066, an ordinance amending Title 22 of
23 The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Public
24 Employees Retirement Code," by repealing
25 a previous ordinance that added the

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2 language now to be deleted.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
4 Chair agrees.

5 CHIEF CLERK: And Bill No.
6 060244, an ordinance amending Chapter
7 22-300 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled
8 "Retirement Benefits," by providing for
9 benefits to be paid to certain trusts for
10 disabled children.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
12 Chair agrees.

13 CHIEF CLERK: And Bill No.
14 060265, an ordinance amending Title 22 of
15 The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Public
16 Employees Retirement Code," to
17 incorporate benefit enhancements provided
18 under recent labor arbitration awards.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
20 Chair agrees.

21 CHIEF CLERK: And Bill No.
22 060289, an ordinance amending Title 9 of
23 The Philadelphia Code, requiring certain
24 licensing of persons performing duct work
25 used in HVAC systems.

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
3 Chair agrees.

4 That completes our First
5 Reading Calendar.

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

11 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
12 you, Madam President. Today on Page 3 we
13 consider 060144-A. On Page 7, the bill
14 at the bottom of the sheet, 050341, is to
15 be amended. On Page 8, we will amend
16 today Bill Nos. 060001, 2 and 3. Bill
17 No. 060004 will be reported out for
18 second reading and final passage, as will
19 060008. All other bills are being held.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
21 you very much.

22 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
23 you.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:
25 Councilman Kelly, do you wish to be

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2 recognized?

3 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Yes.

4 Thanks, Madam President. I'm very sorry
5 for the delay, but I do have one bill
6 that I would like to offer, if I may.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Very
8 well.

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

11 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
12 amending Title 12 of The Philadelphia
13 Code, entitled "Traffic Code," to limit
14 the period for collection of certain
15 parking violation penalties, revise
16 procedures for temporary movement of
17 parking meters, revise the penalties for
18 certain parking violations and revise the
19 fees for booting, towing and storage of
20 certain immobilized vehicles.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
22 you. At this time, I would ask the Chief
23 Clerk to please read the title of Bill
24 No. 060144-A.

25 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance

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2 amending the ordinance approved June 28,
3 1966, Bill No. 1845, as amended, known as
4 the Philadelphia Housing Development
5 Agreement Ordinance.

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

10 The Chief Clerk will please
11 call the roll.

12 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
13 Blackwell.

14 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

15 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
16 Clarke.

17 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

18 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
19 DiCicco voting aye. Councilman Goode.

20 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

21 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.

22 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.

23 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
24 Kenney.

25 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

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

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

3 The ayes are 15; the nays are zero. A
4 majority of all members having voted in
5 the affirmative, the bill passes.

6 I believe the next bill to be
7 considered is Bill No. 050341.

8 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
9 amending Title 14 of The Philadelphia
10 Code, entitled "Zoning and Planning," by
11 amending Chapter 14-1600, entitled
12 "Miscellaneous," by adding a new section
13 entitled "Lower and Central Germantown
14 Special District Controls," all under
15 certain terms and conditions.

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
17 you. The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
18 Miller.

19 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Thank
20 you, Madam President. The amendment for
21 this bill has been circulated, and I'm
22 making a motion to amend the bill and I
23 move that the bill be amended. Do I need
24 to speak on it? I think it's just a
25 general technical amendment to this bill.

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2 (Duly seconded.)

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: I
4 believe a copy of the amendment has been
5 circulated.

6 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Yes.

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

10 All in favor will say aye.

11 (Aye.)

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
13 opposed?

14 (No response.)

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

18 The next bill to be considered
19 is Bill No. 060001.

20 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance to
21 adopt a Capital Program for six Fiscal
22 Years --

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: I'm
24 sorry. We're waiting for the copy of the
25 amendments from the Mayor's office, so

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2 we'll just go on with the Calendar. I
3 would suggest we now consider Bill No.
4 060003.

5 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
6 adopting the Operating Budget for Fiscal
7 Year 2007.

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

10 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Madam
11 President, I move that the amendment be
12 adopted.

13 (Duly seconded.)

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
15 has been moved and seconded that the
16 amendment 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, the motion carries, and the
24 amendment is adopted.

25 The Chief Clerk will please

1 5/18/06 - STATED - 2ND READING

2 read the title of Bill No. 060004.

3 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance

4 amending Section 19-1801 of The

5 Philadelphia Code, entitled

6 "Authorization of Tax," to further

7 authorize the Board of Education of the

8 School District of Philadelphia to impose

9 a tax on real estate within the City of

10 Philadelphia, all under certain terms and

11 conditions.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This

13 bill having been read on two different

14 days, the question now is shall the bill

15 pass finally.

16 The Chief Clerk will please

17 call the roll.

18 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman

19 Blackwell.

20 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

21 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman

22 Clarke.

23 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

24 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman

25 DiCicco voting aye. Councilman Goode.

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

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2 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

3 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman

4 Tasco.

5 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

6 CHIEF CLERK: Council President

7 Verna.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

9 The ayes are 15; the nays are zero. A
10 majority of all members having voted in
11 the affirmative, this bill passes.

12 We will now consider Bill No.
13 060008.

14 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
15 amending Chapter 19-1800 of The
16 Philadelphia Code, entitled "School Tax
17 Authorization," by amending Section
18 19-1806, entitled "Authorization of
19 Realty Use and Occupancy Tax," to further
20 authorize the Board of Education of the
21 School District of Philadelphia to impose
22 a tax on the use and occupancy of real
23 estate within the School District of
24 Philadelphia.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This

1 5/18/06 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 bill having been read on two different
3 days, the question now is shall the bill
4 pass finally.

5 The Chief Clerk will please
6 call the roll.

7 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
8 Blackwell.

9 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

10 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
11 Clarke.

12 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

13 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
14 DiCicco voting aye. Councilman Goode.

15 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

16 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.

17 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.

18 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
19 Kenney.

20 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

21 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
22 Krajewski.

23 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

24 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
25 Miller.

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

1 5/18/06 - STATED - 2ND READING
2 amendments regarding Bill Nos. 060001 and
3 060002, I am going to be calling a
4 five-minute recess. So we will stand in
5 recess for five minutes. Thank you.

6 (Short recess.)

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:
8 Council is now back in session.

9 I would ask the Chief Clerk to
10 please read the title of Bill No. 060001.

11 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance to
12 adopt a Capital Program for six Fiscal
13 Years 2007 to 2012 inclusive.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
15 you.

16 The Chair recognizes
17 Councilwoman Blackwell.

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

21 (Duly seconded.)

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

25 All in favor will please

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2 indicate by saying aye.

3 (Aye.)

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
5 opposed?

6 (No response.)

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
8 ayes have it and the amendments are
9 adopted.

10 The Chief Clerk will please
11 read the title of Bill No. 060002.

12 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance to
13 adopt a Fiscal 2007 Capital Budget.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:
15 Again, the Chair recognizes Councilwoman
16 Blackwell.

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

20 (Duly seconded.)

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
22 has been moved and seconded that the
23 amendments 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 amendments are
7 adopted.

8 That concludes our Calendar for
9 today.

10 Are there speeches on the part
11 of the Minority?

12 (No response.)

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Are
14 there speeches on the part of the
15 Majority?

16 The Chair recognizes
17 Councilwoman Brown.

18 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Thank you,
19 Madam President.

20 Madam President, I offer my
21 remarks in this context: Already this
22 year there have been 120 homicides and
23 435 shootings, and to quote one of our
24 local reporters, A deadly plague is
25 growing in Philadelphia. Violent crimes,

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2 mostly used by guns, have become almost a
3 daily occurrence, and most of the victims
4 are young people between the ages of 15
5 and 29.

6 With that context, I want to
7 salute and congratulate Councilman
8 Darrell Clarke for the successful
9 referendum on this past Tuesday, which
10 becomes another layer or piece of the
11 puzzle that we're trying to pull together
12 with regards to violence and guns in our
13 City, and to reecho the work of
14 Councilwoman Donna Reed Miller and
15 Darrell Clarke on the gun legislation
16 they have before us.

17 I've introduced curfew
18 legislation that I'll talk about later
19 going forward, but in one breath, I think
20 we have to be careful not to politicize
21 what is happening with so many of our
22 young people, yet in another way it's
23 somewhat irresponsible to not say
24 something about it. So to that end,
25 again, I want to congratulate Darrell

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2 Clarke, the work of Donna Reed Miller and
3 Darrell Clarke, and finally to say on the
4 record that in the correspondence dated
5 May 17th to you from our Council
6 colleague, Councilman Nutter, I wanted to
7 show that I completely support the "ask"
8 that we do look to sit down with the
9 Pennsylvania General Assembly, the
10 Governor and others that are copied on
11 this letter so that collectively we can
12 come up with a bullet that is reflective
13 of all the worlds, all the stakeholders
14 that have a role and a place in this
15 issue of gun violence.

16 Thank you, Madam President.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

18 You're welcome.

19 The Chair recognizes Councilman
20 Goode.

21 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you,
22 Madam President. Almost six and a half
23 years ago, in January 2000, my office
24 released the Greater Philadelphia Capital
25 Access Report. The first paragraph of

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2 the executive summary read, "Concerns
3 surrounding capital access for low and
4 moderate-income, as well as predominantly
5 minority communities, are longstanding.
6 Social scientists and other analysts have
7 long linked activities of financial
8 institutions to the deterioration of
9 inner cities. As early as the 1960s when
10 considering the roots of contemporary
11 urban riots, the current commission
12 traced the causes to, among other things,
13 redlining by banks and insurance
14 companies. At the time, many believed
15 that banks and other financial
16 institutions were taking deposits from
17 the nation's inner cities and using the
18 capital to make loans primarily outside
19 these communities.

20 Today, almost six and a half
21 years later, my office released its
22 findings from the second of two
23 comprehensive studies of small business
24 and home lending disparities conducted by
25 the National Community Reinvestment

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2 Coalition, NCRC. The latest study shows
3 progress, but there's still significant
4 disparity. City depositories have
5 boosted their performance in making home
6 loans available to working-class
7 communities, but they need to improve
8 their performance in small business
9 lending. And although home loans have
10 become more available, African-Americans
11 still received only 22.8 percent of all
12 home loans in 2004, up from 19.2 percent
13 in 2003, but African-Americans comprise
14 44.8 percent of the City's population.

15 NCRC also reported significant
16 disparities to small business lending.
17 The portion of small business loans in
18 minority census tracts was only 33.4
19 percent, down from 34.8 percent in 2003.

20 Wachovia Bank, which held an
21 average daily balance of \$54 million in
22 City cash deposits and 1.3 billion in
23 City investment deposits last year,
24 ranked dead last in providing equitable
25 access to home mortgages. In fact,

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2 Wachovia made the lowest percentage of
3 home purchase loans to African-Americans,
4 only 24 percent, and had the worst denial
5 disparity ratios for both home purchase
6 and improvement lending to
7 African-Americans.

8 Wachovia also ranked dead last
9 in providing equitable access to small
10 business loans. However, Wachovia did
11 rank at the top in branching at home loan
12 categories, such as refinancing and
13 improvement loans.

14 On the other hand, PNC Bank,
15 which held an average daily balance of
16 only \$7 million in City cash deposits but
17 \$333 million in City investment deposits
18 last year, ranked first in providing
19 equitable access to home mortgages. In
20 fact, PNC made the highest percentage of
21 home purchase loans to African-Americans,
22 35 percent.

23 PNC also had the second lowest
24 denial disparity ratio for home purchase
25 loans to African-Americans by Commerce

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2 Bank, which held an average daily balance
3 of only \$5 million in City cash deposits
4 and had no City investment deposits last
5 year.

6 Citizens Bank, which had no
7 City deposits last year at all, ranked
8 second in providing equitable access to
9 small business loans behind Republic
10 First Bank, one of the City's newly
11 authorized depositories.

12 Bank of America, also one of
13 the City's newly authorized depositories,
14 ranked second in providing equitable
15 access to home mortgages that set the
16 most ambitious 2006 goal for small
17 business lending in low and
18 moderate-income neighborhoods, 760 loans.

19 Bank of America also recently
20 invested \$10 million in Opportunity
21 Finance Network for small business
22 lending in target areas.

23 This afternoon I will have my
24 third meeting with Wachovia in nine days.
25 Wachovia will still claim that bigger is

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2 better and that loan volume is equally
3 important as fair lending.

4 Wachovia has tried to sell many
5 of you, my colleagues, on a new
6 three-year billion dollar lending plan.
7 In our last meeting, I confronted
8 Wachovia the fact that that three-year
9 billion dollar plan was neither an
10 increase in lending activity nor a new
11 commitment to fair lending.

12 Wachovia's plan was not really
13 bigger or better in terms of fair lending
14 in community reinvestment. It was just
15 meant to demonstrate the high volume of
16 its lending activity. So what? When it
17 comes to diversity and home mortgage and
18 small business lending, Wachovia still
19 sucks.

20 Thank you.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
22 you.

23 The Chair recognizes
24 Councilwoman Tasco.

25 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Thank you,

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2 Madam President. I want to follow on the
3 comments made by my colleague,
4 Councilwoman Blondell Reynolds Brown.

5 I do know, Madam President, you
6 had been in contact with one of your
7 state representatives, Harold James, as
8 well as State Representative Jewell
9 Williams, State Representative Dwight
10 Evans to talk about this whole issue of
11 the increase in violence and some of the
12 things that we needed to do. And to that
13 end, I believe that they had come to a
14 decision to call for a meeting with the
15 Governor and the Mayor to offer some
16 suggestions for dealing with the issue of
17 violence.

18 In a letter to the Mayor, which
19 I have a copy of, they talk about their
20 efforts to call on the Governor to see if
21 he could bring in officers, state police,
22 to support the Philadelphia Police
23 Department to give us the manpower short
24 term, but also encourage us to pass the
25 budget that would give additional police

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2 officers to the Police Department. That
3 letter was signed by Louise Bishop, State
4 Representative Bishop, and State
5 Representative Bill Rieger as the leaders
6 of the Philadelphia Delegation.

7 But I guess all of this --
8 everybody wants to do something about the
9 violence in the City, and I just wanted
10 to add that that effort had been
11 undertaken with the President at an
12 earlier time. So it all coincides
13 together.

14 Thank you.

15 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Thank you.

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

17 You're welcome.

18 The Chair recognizes Councilman
19 Nutter.

20 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Thank you,
21 Madam Chair. I appreciate the comments
22 made by both Councilwoman Reynolds Brown
23 and Councilwoman Tasco about all of these
24 efforts, and they should continue.

25 I also wanted to just thank the

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2 voters for their participation in the
3 electoral process on Tuesday. It's been
4 mentioned, and he should be commended,
5 Councilman Clarke, for his work with
6 regard to the ballot question on
7 surveillance cameras, and the other
8 ballot question, of course, was for the
9 City to create, for the first time in its
10 history, a Board of Ethics. This effort
11 comes as a result of many activities by
12 this City Council in an effort to move
13 the City, by anyone's evaluation, from
14 pretty much at the bottom of ethics
15 efforts to now having a very strong code,
16 a board and new contracting rules, which
17 move the City actually to the forefront
18 of ethics reform of cities across the
19 country.

20 So at the end of the day,
21 Council takes a certain action. The
22 Mayor has taken an action with regard to
23 signing the bills, but ultimately it is
24 left still in our democracy to the
25 voters. They have spoken twice in the

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2 last six months or so, and they are to be
3 applauded and recognized for their
4 participation in the process.

5 I thank my colleagues, because
6 none of this is possible through any
7 individual effort. This is a collective
8 process, and this Council should be
9 recognized for the efforts over the past
10 couple years to move these issues to the
11 forefront of the City's agenda, and I
12 appreciate all of the effort and all of
13 the support.

14 Thank you, Madam President.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

16 You're welcome.

17 The Chair recognizes Councilman
18 Clarke.

19 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Thank you,
20 Madam President.

21 Madam President, I'd like to
22 thank my friend and colleague,
23 Councilwoman Brown, for those kind words
24 and words of encouragement, and I'd like
25 to thank this Council for the work that

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2 they did in terms of supporting the
3 legislation that created the ballot
4 referendum. And in particular, I'd like
5 to thank Councilwoman Miller and my good
6 friend, Councilman Rizzo, who helped us
7 guide this process of traveling to other
8 municipalities, making sure that we got
9 the appropriate information. And I'd
10 like to thank the citizens for their
11 strong support on May 16th.

12 Last, but not least, Madam
13 President, as we talk about video
14 surveillance and we talk about bringing
15 in the state police and we talk about
16 increasing the manpower -- the person
17 power. I'm sorry. I have to be
18 politically correct -- the person power
19 on our various law enforcement agencies,
20 at the end of the day, this problem is as
21 a result of the proliferation of weapons.

22 So I hope through all the
23 discussion that we don't lose focus on
24 the reality that we have to get the guns
25 off the street. We have to stop this

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2 onslaught on weapons coming into our
3 City.

4 Madam President, when I stood
5 in the Mayor's conference room the other
6 day and I saw 1,500 weapons, I thought I
7 was in Iraq. I thought I was in Iraq. I
8 couldn't believe the level of weapons
9 that these people have out on the street.

10 So, Madam President, we hope
11 within the next week to focus very
12 strongly on the key issue of weapons
13 proliferation. We anticipate having some
14 information after we have discussions
15 with the Councilmembers very shortly
16 about a process that we hope we'll embark
17 on that will lead us to our ability to
18 regulate guns or the state's ability to
19 regulate guns at the level that it needs
20 to do so we can stop this proliferation.

21 Thank you, Madam President.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank
23 you.

24 The Chair again recognizes
25 Councilwoman Tasco.

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2 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: Yes. I
3 just forgot to say, Madam President, last
4 night at Olney High School we had the
5 hearing on the Blueprint for a Safer
6 Philadelphia. Interestingly enough,
7 there was a shooting around the corner on
8 Ormes Street within a couple blocks of
9 the high school. In spite of that, we
10 had a good turnout and we had a nice
11 discussion with the residents of that
12 area.

13 I would remind my colleagues on
14 the Committee of Public Health and Human
15 Services and the safety committees that
16 we will convene again on May 25th at
17 Gratz High School at 7 o'clock. We
18 encourage them to come out. And again on
19 June 15th in South Philadelphia High
20 School in your district.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: I
22 look forward to it. Thank you.

23 The Chair recognizes Councilman
24 Rizzo.

25 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Madam

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2 President, in reference to the staffing
3 and the number of police in the City of
4 Philadelphia, you know there's an issue
5 that I've been discussing for months, if
6 not years, is the 75 police officers that
7 patrol the interstate roadway. It's
8 suggested that the Rendell Administration
9 is going to bring the state police in
10 January to the City of Philadelphia to
11 patrol I-95, Woodhaven Road, Vine Street
12 Extension, Delaware Expressway.

13 What I would suggest to the
14 Administration, if that's going to happen
15 in January, to accelerate that. We need
16 those officers in our neighborhoods. We
17 were hoping that the Commonwealth would
18 provide the \$6 million that we spend on
19 patrolling that. It doesn't make sense
20 that they're going to send the state
21 police in here, especially when it's
22 going to cost close to \$10 million for
23 the state to do this.

24 This is not a complicated issue
25 to get the state police in here to patrol

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2 those roadways. That would relieve and
3 almost give us a class, a graduating
4 class, from the Police Academy for in
5 fact those police officers in January.

6 So my hope is, and I'm going to
7 try to communicate to the Administration,
8 to get that accelerated. If it's going
9 to happen in January, let's make it
10 happen as quickly as possible, because we
11 desperately need those police officers in
12 the communities and the neighborhoods of
13 our City.

14 Thank you.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

16 You're welcome.

17 The Chair recognizes Councilman
18 Kenney.

19 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you,
20 Madam President. I wasn't going to say
21 anything, but until Councilman Clarke
22 mentioned the issue of the proliferation
23 of guns.

24 I was speaking with a reporter
25 the other day who told me that New York

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2 City conducted an extremely innovative
3 approach to going after the proliferation
4 of guns. What they did was, they talked
5 to a number of informants about where
6 they obtained their guns and took a large
7 number of confiscated weapons and tracked
8 them back to gun dealers in Virginia,
9 Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina,
10 Delaware. They then hired private
11 investigators, who went down and
12 conducted purchases. Basically, a sting
13 operation on those gun dealers, buying
14 large numbers of guns. They then went
15 into federal court and filed a federal
16 lawsuit against all of those gun shops in
17 all of those states and are attempting to
18 get their licenses revoked and/or have
19 them under federal court supervision so
20 that their records would have to be
21 provided on a regular basis to the
22 federal court, thereby providing a
23 roadmap of where these guns are coming
24 from.

25 The young person on the street

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2 who has a gun in their hand and shoots
3 another young person or wounds or kills
4 them, certainly a terrible, terrible
5 tragedy, but the people who are the ones
6 that should go to jail for a long time,
7 have their assets seized and be put in
8 the federal prison for 20 years or more
9 are those people in this state and in
10 other states in this East Coast that are
11 providing the weapons of mass destruction
12 that are killing our kids in our
13 neighborhoods. And I think that's the
14 type of innovative approach to policing
15 that we need to look at here.

16 Car stops, ped stops, those
17 things are extremely important. After
18 Officer Skerski was killed, there were
19 six or seven cars stopped and I think we
20 had six or seven guns confiscated, and we
21 should continue to do that, but the real
22 source and the real evil are the people
23 who are selling large numbers of guns,
24 making large amounts of money, and
25 they're the ones whose rearends should be

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2 in federal prison for life, if possible.

3 And I think that the way New York has

4 approached it is something we should be

5 looking at, that and other types of

6 innovative approaches to crime-fighting

7 and policing, in addition to pursuing gun

8 legislation and pursuring additional

9 police. But I think New York really

10 thinks outside the box in that regard.

11 So good for them and maybe we should take

12 a cue.

13 (Applause.)

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

15 Sounds good. Thank you.

16 Are there any other speeches on

17 the part of the Majority?

18 (No response.)

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

20 Seeing none, the Chair recognizes

21 Councilwoman Tasco for a motion to

22 adjourn.

23 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Madam

24 President, I move that Council stand

25 adjourned until Thursday, May 25th at

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2 10:00 a.m.

3 (Duly seconded.)

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
5 has been moved and seconded that Council
6 stand adjourned until Thursday, May the
7 25th at 10:00 a.m.

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. The motion carries.

15 Thank you very much.

16 (Stated Meeting concluded at
17 11:55 p.m.)

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