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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, March 15, 2007
10:10 a.m.

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PRESENT:

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COUNCIL PRESIDENT ANNA C. VERNA

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COUNCILWOMAN JANNIE BLACKWELL

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COUNCILWOMAN CAROL ANN CAMPBELL

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COUNCILMAN DARRELL L. CLARKE

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COUNCILMAN FRANK DiCICCO

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COUNCILMAN W. WILSON GOODE, JR.

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COUNCILMAN WILLIAM GREENLEE

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COUNCILMAN JACK KELLY

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COUNCILMAN JAMES F. KENNEY

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COUNCILWOMAN JOAN L. KRAJEWSKI

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COUNCILWOMAN DONNA REED MILLER

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COUNCILMAN BRIAN J. O'NEILL

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COUNCILMAN JUAN RAMOS

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COUNCILWOMAN BLONDELL REYNOLDS BROWN

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COUNCILMAN FRANK RIZZO

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COUNCILMAN DANIEL SAVAGE

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COUNCILWOMAN MARIAN B. TASCO

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COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: I am asking for silence so we could start our meeting. Thank you.

I note that the hour has come and that a quorum of this Council is present. Council will come to order. Members will take their seats and visitors will retire to the seats outside the rails.

To give our invocation this morning, the Chair welcomes Reverend James Moore, President of the Black Clergy of Philadelphia.

I'm not going to tolerate this noise. We're going to have respect for each other today, and if we don't, we will not go on.

The Chair welcomes Reverend James Moore, President of the Black Clergy of Philadelphia and Pastor of the Second Mt. Zion Church. He is here today as the guest of Councilwoman Reynolds Brown.

At this time, I would ask all

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2 members and guests to please rise.

3 (Everyone rises.)

4 (Audience yelling.)

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: I

6 don't think that's funny at all. I

7 really don't. Here we are ready to say a

8 prayer and you're behaving that way. I

9 don't find that amusing.

10 Reverend.

11 REVEREND MOORE: Gracious, wise

12 and eternal God, our father, as we come

13 now to say, Lord, we thank you for this

14 opportunity and for this privilege to

15 serve, we ask that you would draw our

16 minds in and calm our spirits and our

17 anxieties, for we know that you are

18 equal. We thank you for our elected

19 officials and we thank you for the

20 citizens of this city. However, we thank

21 you for calming these spirits. And we

22 realize that we are overwhelmed by the

23 inability to manage the affairs of our

24 lives. So Lord God, we ask for your

25 guidance. We ask for your strength to

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2 Chair thanks Reverend Moore for his very
3 inspiring invocation.

4 Council will be at ease.

5 (Council at ease.)

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
7 next order of business is the approval of
8 the Journal of the meeting of Thursday,
9 March 8, 2007, and the Chair recognizes
10 Councilwoman Blackwell.

11 Councilwoman Blackwell.

12 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
13 you, Madam President. Sorry. It's one
14 of those days. We have too many
15 important issues on our Calendar.

16 Madam President, I move that
17 the Journal of the meeting of Thursday,
18 March 8, 2007 stand approved.

19 (Duly seconded.)

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It
21 has been moved and properly seconded that
22 the meeting of Thursday, March 8, 2007
23 stand approved.

24 All in favor will indicate by
25 saying 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 Journal of the
8 meeting of Thursday, March 8, 2007 is
9 approved.

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

14 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
15 you, Madam President. On behalf of the
16 majority, there are no requests for
17 leaves of absence today.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
19 Chair thanks the Councilwoman.

20 The Chair recognizes Councilman
21 Rizzo.

22 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Madam
23 President, the republicans are all here.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
25 Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

12 At this time, the Chair
13 recognizes Councilwoman Tasco, who will
14 present a proclamation designating the
15 month of March 2007 as American Red Cross
16 Month.

17 Will Mr. Tom Foley and those
18 accompanying him please join the
19 Councilwoman at the podium.

20 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Good
21 morning. It gives me great pleasure this
22 morning to present this resolution on
23 behalf of President Verna proclaiming the
24 month of March 2007 as American Red Cross
25 Month.

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2 Whereas, the American Red Cross
3 was founded in 1881 by Clara Barton, a
4 woman selfishly devoted to the needs of
5 humanity, and chartered in the City of
6 Philadelphia in 1916; and

7 Whereas, compassion, courage,
8 character, civic duty are inherent in the
9 Red Cross mission to prevent and relieve
10 human suffering and the City of
11 Philadelphia shares these grand ideals;
12 and

13 Whereas, the Red Cross is
14 chartered and authorized by Congress to
15 act in times of need, providing
16 compassionate assistance to people
17 afflicted by personal, local or national
18 disasters; and

19 Whereas, Red Cross volunteers
20 from the Southeastern Pennsylvania
21 Chapter responded to nearly 900 disasters
22 last year, providing thousands of
23 residents with food, clothing, shelter
24 and mental health support; and

25 Whereas, people have counted on

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2 the Red Cross for the information and
3 skills they need to be safe at home, at
4 work, at school and at play. Last year,
5 the Southeastern Pennsylvania Chapter
6 trained and reached nearly 307,227 people
7 with valuable life-saving information;
8 and

9 Whereas, the American Red Cross
10 reached across more than 84,000 students
11 in the School District last year with
12 some form of health, safety, leadership
13 or disaster education training; and

14 Whereas, the American Red
15 Cross, through its Penn-Jersey Blood
16 Region, provides life-saving blood and
17 blood products whenever and wherever
18 needed. The safety of the blood supply
19 is its number one priority; and

20 Whereas, in 1943, President
21 Franklin Delano Roosevelt called upon the
22 American people with this request:
23 Quote, "that during this month our people
24 rededicate themselves to the splendid
25 aims and activities of the Red Cross,"

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2 end of quote.

3 Now, therefore resolved, by the
4 Council of the City of Philadelphia, that
5 we hereby proclaim the month of March
6 2007 as American Red Cross Month in the
7 City of Philadelphia.

8 Further resolved, that an
9 engrossed copy of this resolution be
10 presented to the American Red Cross as
11 evidence of the respect and admiration of
12 this legislative body for the important
13 work they do in Philadelphia and the
14 Delaware Valley.

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

22 (Applause.)

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

25 MR. FOLEY: Thank you,

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2 President Verna. Thank you, Councilwoman
3 Tasco. The great Nobel Prize winner Elie
4 Wiesel about 20 years ago said that the
5 greatest commandment, the greatest
6 commandment, is that you shalt not stand
7 idly by. I am joined today by ten of our
8 Red Cross volunteers who honor that
9 commandment and never stand idly by.
10 They were out last night when there were
11 four fires, Madam President, right here
12 in the City of Philadelphia where 50
13 people, 50 of our citizens, were
14 displaced. They were out doing that 876
15 times last year, everything from
16 multi-apartment fires to single-family
17 fatal fires. They taught 8,018 classes
18 last year. They worked with our school
19 children all through the School District
20 of Philadelphia. They operate Red Cross
21 House right here in Southwestern
22 Philadelphia to help folks.

23 But at the end of the day, it
24 isn't about those numbers, Madam
25 President, as I know that you know well.

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2 It is about volunteers like we have from
3 Northwest Philadelphia, a man named Tom
4 Warner. Fifty-six years Tom has been
5 teaching health and safety courses for
6 us. They are about a young man in your
7 district, Angelo Tornetta, Madam
8 President, 16 years old, learned first
9 aid and CPR from the Red Cross and saved
10 an 82-year-old woman from choking. They
11 are about the 81 volunteers from this
12 city who showed up two Saturdays ago and
13 spent their whole Saturday teaching
14 almost 400 teenagers CPR. They did that
15 because a teenager from that high school
16 lost his life in an ice skating rink and
17 he was the only guy in the rink that
18 actually knew CPR. It is about Joseph
19 Jasper Marshall, a 15-year-old Bok Tech
20 student who left his Red Cross club
21 meeting, walked out the front of his
22 school and there was a car accident and
23 this 15-year-old found a person in there
24 not breathing, administered CPR to them
25 and saved their life.

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2 So we know that when you honor
3 that commandment, it is about much more
4 than the numbers. It is about lives.
5 And I think it's very much -- and I'll
6 finish with this, Madam President -- like
7 Tom Brokaw says about heroes: Heroes are
8 people who rise to the occasion and then
9 they step quietly away. There's a number
10 of those people who rise to the occasion
11 many, many nights in our city, and I
12 thank you for the honor of being with
13 them today and for showing them your
14 recognition.

15 Thank you very much.

16 (Applause.)

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

18 Council will be at ease.

19 (Council at ease.)

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

21 Chair again recognizes Councilwoman
22 Tasco, who will present a resolution
23 recognizing the 110th birthday
24 anniversary of Marian Anderson.

25 Would Mrs. Blanche Burton-Lyles

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2 and those accompanying her please join
3 the Councilwoman at the podium.

4 Is Blanche here?

5 MS. BURTON-LYLES: Here I am.

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

8 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Thank you,
9 Madam President.

10 Good morning. I gladly and
11 happily present this resolution
12 recognizing the 110th birthday of Marian
13 Anderson.

14 Whereas, the City Council of
15 Philadelphia is pleased to honor and
16 celebrate the birth of one of the City's
17 treasures, Contralto, Ms. Marian
18 Anderson; and

19 Whereas, we also celebrate the
20 expansion of the Marian Anderson Society
21 and the dedication and hard work of its
22 founder, Blanche Burton-Lyles; and

23 Whereas, the Marian Anderson
24 Society is a living monument to the
25 extraordinary life of Ms. Anderson by the

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2 operation of Marian Anderson's Residence
3 Museum, which is filled with memorabilia,
4 books, rare photos and films of the late
5 singer's life; and

6 Whereas, the programs featured
7 by the Marian Anderson Historical
8 Society, Inc. promote values of
9 excellence, discipline, integrity and
10 professionalism in the vocal arts, with
11 special emphasis on youth; and

12 Whereas, their motto "Charting
13 the Course of Education Through Music" is
14 an inspiration which exemplifies
15 excellence and integrity in all things;
16 and

17 Whereas, we honor Marian
18 Anderson not only on the anniversary of
19 her birth but for every day, for she was
20 a citizen of the world, a noble
21 humanitarian and a heart-stopping artist.

22 Now therefore resolved, by the
23 Council of the City of Philadelphia, that
24 we hereby recognize the 110th anniversary
25 of Marian Anderson's birth and the

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2 expansion of the Marian Anderson
3 Historical Society and celebrate her
4 contributions and memories.

5 Further resolved, that an
6 engrossed copy of this resolution be
7 presented to the Marian Anderson
8 Historical Society as evidence of the
9 sincere sentiments of this legislative
10 body.

11 Certification that this is a
12 true and correct copy of the original
13 resolution, adopted by the Council of the
14 City of Philadelphia on the 15th day of
15 February 2007 and supported by all
16 members of City Council.

17 And I apologize to Councilwoman
18 Brown. She's also a co-sponsor of this
19 resolution.

20 We thank you for your
21 leadership and all the hard work you do
22 for the Marian Anderson Society.

23 (Applause.)

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
25 Chair recognizes Mrs. Burton-Lyles for

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2 remarks.

3 MS. BURTON-LYLES: Thank you so
4 very, very much, Council President Anna
5 Verna and to all assembled. It is a
6 great honor to be here and for your honor
7 of celebrating Marian Anderson's 110th
8 birthday.

9 We had had a concert at the
10 Union Baptist Church and on Easter Sunday
11 we're inviting all of you, there's enough
12 room, to come to a concert at 3:30 in the
13 afternoon. We are honoring her historic
14 Lincoln Memorial concert in Washington.
15 It will be here in Philadelphia. And
16 come visit the residents.

17 It's a joy to be able to work
18 with this great lady whom I knew all of
19 my life and who recommended me to the
20 Curtis Institute of Music.

21 Thank you all and God bless
22 you.

23 (Applause.)

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

25 Council will be at ease.

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2 (Council at ease.)

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
4 Chair now recognizes Councilman Kelly,
5 who will present a resolution recognizing
6 Dr. John J. Mulhern.

7 Will Dr. Mulhern and those
8 accompanying him please join the
9 Councilman at the podium.

10 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Thank you,
11 Madam President. I would just like to
12 take this time to say that it's an honor
13 for me to recognize someone who has done
14 such a brilliant job for so many years,
15 this Dr. Mulhern.

16 This is a resolution
17 recognizing, honoring, celebrating and
18 thanking Dr. John J. Mulhern for his 15
19 years of extraordinary commitment in
20 training leaders for all levels of public
21 service at the University of Pennsylvania
22 Fels Institute of Government.

23 Whereas, on July 1, 1991,
24 Dr. John J. Mulhern joined the faculty at
25 the University of Pennsylvania Fels

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2 Institute of Government and, through his
3 15 years of service, has played an
4 integral role in making Fels the
5 distinguished academic institution it is
6 today; and

7 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Whereas,
8 throughout his tenure, Dr. Mulhern has
9 held numerous leadership positions within
10 the Fels Institute of Government,
11 including Senior Lecturer and Research
12 Associate; Director of the Fels Center of
13 Government and Senior Lecturer; Director
14 of the Master of Government
15 Administration Program and Senior
16 Lecturer; Director of Professional
17 Education and Senior Lecturer; Director
18 of Professional Education and Adjunct
19 Associate Professor of Classical Studies
20 and Government Administration; and

21 Whereas, Dr. Mulhern has served
22 as an academic advisor, mentor and friend
23 to countless students, including numerous
24 Philadelphia City Council staff members
25 while they were completing their Master

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2 of Governmental Administration Degrees at
3 the Fels Institute of Government; and

4 Whereas, Dr. Mulhern created a
5 program of study that emphasized the
6 strong continuing connections amongst
7 classical studies, modern politics and
8 practical solutions to pressing public
9 problems.

10 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Whereas,
11 Dr. Mulhern was instrumental in creating
12 and launching the Fels Institute of
13 Government five-course certificate
14 programs in Public Finance, Politics,
15 Non-Profit Administration, and Economic
16 Development and Growth; and

17 Whereas, Dr. Mulhern has been a
18 driving force in promoting executive
19 education, student recruitment and
20 graduate job placement; and

21 Whereas, Dr. Mulhern
22 revitalized the Fels Institute of
23 Government's relationship with several
24 distinguished international programs,
25 including the Fulbright Program and the

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2 Chair recognizes Dr. Mulhern for remarks.

3 DR. MULHERN: Thank you. Thank
4 you especially to Councilman Kelly,
5 Councilman Kenney, Councilman Savage. I
6 am honored and the Fels Institute of
7 Government is honored by this resolution
8 from the body which has included many
9 people from both sides of the aisle whom
10 I have known and admired over the years
11 even before I came to Fels. Ed Schwartz,
12 Lucien Blackwell, the other Jack Kelly,
13 Thatcher Longstreth are the ones that
14 come most immediately to mind from these
15 pre-Fels days, although it didn't end
16 there. Council President Verna and I met
17 at a conference in Newport in the early
18 1990s as we were trying to find a new use
19 for the Philadelphia Naval Ship Yard. I
20 think that there has been a great deal of
21 progress in bringing ship building back
22 to Philadelphia since then.

23 In recent years, we have been
24 delighted to have Councilwoman Blackwell
25 visit Fels and, of course, Councilman

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2 of March. The Ides of March was, as you
3 may remember, Julius Caesar's last public
4 appearance. I want to assure everyone,
5 though, that there is no Brutus in the
6 audience today, that this recognition is
7 not the end of the affair and that I plan
8 to continue preparing students for
9 positions in Council and for other
10 important roles in government for some
11 time to come. And I want to thank my
12 colleagues and friends from Fels and my
13 daughter, Helen, who came down from New
14 York this morning, for being with us
15 today.

16 Thank you again.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
18 you, Doctor.

19 (Applause.)

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

21 Council will be at ease.

22 (Council at ease.)

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
24 next order of business is communications.

25 The Chair requests that the

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

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

6 CHIEF CLERK: To the President
7 and members of the Council of the City of
8 Philadelphia, I am pleased to advise you
9 that on March 15, 2007, I signed all of
10 the bills that were passed by Council at
11 its session on March 1, 2007, except
12 060576-A; and

13 To the President and members of
14 the Council of the City of Philadelphia,
15 I am herewith returning to you as
16 disapproved Bill No. 060576-A, which
17 would place before the electorate this
18 May a ballot question; and

19 I am transmitting for the
20 consideration of your honorable body an
21 ordinance authorizing the Trustees of the
22 University of Pennsylvania, University of
23 Pennsylvania Health System, to construct
24 and maintain a pedestrian bridge over and
25 across Convention Avenue.

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

5 I would ask the Chief Clerk to
6 please read any other communications in
7 her possession.

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

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
11 you.

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

16 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
17 you, Madam President. I move that the
18 rules of Council be suspended in order to
19 permit the immediate consideration of
20 resolutions at their time of
21 introduction.

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 immediate consideration of
3 resolutions at the time of introduction.

4 All in favor will please
5 indicate by saying aye.

6 (Aye.)

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
8 opposed?

9 (No response.)

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
11 motion carries.

12 The Chair recognizes Councilman
13 Kenney.

14 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you,
15 Madam President. I have no bills or
16 resolutions today.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
18 Chair thanks the gentleman.

19 The Chair recognizes
20 Councilwoman Blackwell.

21 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
22 you, Madam President. Today I introduce
23 two bills, one on --

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:
25 Excuse me. The noise level is much too

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2 high.

3 Councilwoman Blackwell.

4 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
5 you. Today I introduce two bills, one on
6 your behalf and one on my behalf.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
8 you.

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

11 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
12 authorizing the Trustees of the
13 University of Pennsylvania, 3400 Spruce
14 Street, to construct and maintain a
15 pedestrian bridge over and across
16 Convention Avenue.

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

20 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
21 granting permission to Ilker Ugar, owner
22 of the Divan Turkish Kitchen and owner of
23 the property 918 South 22nd Street, to
24 operate and maintain an open-air sidewalk
25 cafe.

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

5 The Chair recognizes Councilman
6 Greenlee.

7 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Thank
8 you, Madam President. I have no bills or
9 resolutions today.

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

12 The Chair recognizes
13 Councilwoman Krajewski.

14 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Thank
15 you, Madam President. I offer one
16 resolution.

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

20 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
21 honoring Aramingo Diner on its 50th
22 anniversary.

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

25 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: I move

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2 for the adoption.

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 please
8 signify by 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
17 Councilwoman Tasco.

18 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Madam
19 President, I have no bills or resolutions
20 today.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
22 you.

23 The Chair recognizes
24 Councilwoman Miller.

25 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Thank

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2 you, Madam President. Today I have two
3 resolutions and one bill.

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 establishing a neighborhood improvement
10 district in an area that generally
11 includes both sides of Germantown Avenue
12 from 6300 to 7631 and certain blocks of
13 streets that intersect that portion of
14 Germantown Avenue.

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

18 CHIEF CLERK: And a resolution
19 approving a final plan for the proposed
20 Mount Airy Business Improvement District.

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

23 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: I move
24 for 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 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 commemorating April 21, 2007 as National
15 Youth Service Day in Philadelphia and
16 recognizing the host, Greater
17 Philadelphia Cares.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:
19 Again, the Chair recognizes Councilwoman
20 Miller.

21 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: I move
22 for the adoption of the resolution.

23 (Duly seconded.)

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

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2 the resolution be 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 the resolution is
10 adopted.
11 The Chair recognizes Councilman
12 Savage.
13 COUNCILMAN SAVAGE: Thank you,
14 Madam President. I have no bills or
15 resolutions for today.
16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
17 you.
18 The Chair recognizes Councilman
19 DiCicco.
20 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Thank you,
21 Madam President. No bills or resolutions
22 today.
23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
24 Chair thanks the gentleman.
25 The Chair recognizes

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2 Councilwoman Brown.

3 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Thank you,
4 Madam President. No bills or resolutions
5 today.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank
7 you.

8 The Chair recognizes Councilman
9 Goode.

10 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you,
11 Madam President. I have no bills or
12 resolutions.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank
14 you.

15 The Chair recognizes Councilman
16 Ramos.

17 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Thank you,
18 Madam President. No bills or resolutions
19 today.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank
21 you.

22 The Chair recognizes
23 Councilwoman Campbell.

24 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Thank
25 you, Madam President. I have one

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2 ordinance.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
4 you.

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

7 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
8 amending Title 6 of The Philadelphia
9 Code, entitled "Health Code," by
10 providing that all persons engaged in the
11 preparation of food and especially those
12 in the fast food establishments shall
13 wear protective gloves and wear a
14 suitable head covering or hair restraint
15 to protect the food from contamination.

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

19 The Chair recognizes Councilman
20 O'Neill.

21 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Madam
22 President, I offer one resolution.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:
24 Before the Clerk reads the title of the
25 resolution, Councilwoman Miller, one of

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2 your resolutions was to be referred to a
3 committee.

4 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Yes.
5 Okay.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
7 will be noted for the record that it will
8 be referred, I believe, to the Committee
9 on Rules.

10 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Thank
11 you.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Is
13 that correct?

14 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Yes.
15 Thank you, Madam President.

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
17 you.

18 The Chief Clerk will please
19 read the title of the resolution
20 introduced by Councilman O'Neill.

21 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
22 recognizing the week of April 15th
23 through April 22nd, 2007 as the Annual
24 Remembrance of the Six Million Jewish
25 Martyrs Who Perished During the

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2 Holocaust.

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

5 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: I move the
6 adoption.

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 please say
12 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 The Chair recognizes Councilman
21 Clarke.

22 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Madam
23 President, I have three bills.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
25 you.

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

4 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
5 granting permission to Nitin Desai, owner
6 and operator of the newsstand located on
7 the northwest corner of 18th and Arch
8 Streets.

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

12 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
13 granting permission to Chunho Won, owner
14 and operator of the newsstand located at
15 18th and Market Streets.

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

19 CHIEF CLERK: And an ordinance
20 granting permission to Asia Alnawsreh,
21 owner and operator of the newsstand
22 located on the southwest corner of Broad
23 and Spring Garden Streets.

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

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2 committee, and the Chair recognizes
3 Councilman Kelly.

4 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Madam
5 President, I have no bills or resolutions
6 today.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
8 you.

9 The Chair recognizes Councilman
10 Rizzo.

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

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
14 you.

15 The next order of business is
16 reports from committees, and the Chair at
17 this time recognizes Councilman Clarke
18 for a report from the Committee on Rules.

19 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Madam
20 President, the Committee on Rules reports
21 one bill with a favorable recommendation.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
23 you.

24 The Chief Clerk will please
25 read the report.

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2 CHIEF CLERK: To the President
3 and members of the Council of the City of
4 Philadelphia, the Committee on Rules, to
5 which was referred Bill No. 060957,
6 entitled "An ordinance approving the
7 Municipal Statement of Revival of the
8 Frankford Special Services District of
9 Philadelphia and authorizing the filing
10 of such statement with the Secretary of
11 the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the
12 purpose of retroactively reviving and
13 extending the term of the district, all
14 under certain terms and conditions,"
15 respectfully reports it has considered
16 the same and returns the attached bill to
17 Council with a favorable recommendation.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank
19 you.

20 The Chair recognizes Councilman
21 Clarke.

22 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Madam
23 President, I move that the rules of
24 Council be suspended this day as to
25 permit first reading this day of Bill No.

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2 060957.

3 (Duly seconded.)

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
5 has been moved and properly seconded that
6 the rules of Council be suspended so as
7 to permit first reading this day of the
8 bill just reported from committee.

9 All in favor will say aye.

10 (Aye.)

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
12 opposed?

13 (No response.)

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
15 ayes have it, and the bill just read will
16 be placed on our First Reading Calendar
17 for today.

18 The Chair now recognizes
19 Councilwoman Krajewski for a report from
20 the Committee on Appropriations.

21 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Madam
22 President, the Committee on
23 Appropriations reports three bills out
24 with a favorable recommendation.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank

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2 and commissions," respectfully reports it
3 has considered the same and returns the
4 attached bills to Council with a
5 favorable recommendation.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
7 you.

8 The Chair recognizes
9 Councilwoman Krajewski.

10 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: I move
11 that the rules of Council be suspended so
12 as to permit first reading of Bill Nos.
13 070121, 070122 and 070123.

14 (Duly seconded.)

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

20 All in favor will indicate by
21 saying 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 bills just read
4 will be placed on our First Reading
5 Calendar for today.

6 The Chair now recognizes
7 Councilwoman Reynolds Brown for a report
8 from the Committee on Parks, Recreation
9 and Cultural Affairs.

10 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Thank you,
11 Madam President. The Committee on Parks,
12 Recreation and Cultural Affairs reports
13 one bill with a favorable recommendation.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
15 you.

16 The Chief Clerk will please
17 read the report.

18 CHIEF CLERK: To the President
19 and members of the Council of the City of
20 Philadelphia, the Committee on Parks,
21 Recreation and Cultural Affairs, to which
22 was referred Bill No. 070077, entitled
23 "An ordinance authorizing the President
24 of Fairmount Park Commission to enter
25 into a lease agreement between the City

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2 of Philadelphia as landlord and the
3 Center City District as tenant,"
4 respectfully reports it has considered
5 the same and returns the attached bill to
6 Council with a favorable recommendation.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
8 you.

9 The Chair recognizes
10 Councilwoman Brown.

11 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Thank you,
12 Madam President. I move that the rules
13 of Council be suspended so as to permit
14 first reading this day of Bill No.
15 070077.

16 (Duly seconded.)

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

22 All in favor will say aye.

23 (Aye.)

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
25 opposed?

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2 (No response.)

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
4 ayes have it, and the bill just read will
5 be placed on our First Reading Calendar
6 for today.

7 The Chair now recognizes
8 Councilman Goode for a report from the
9 Committee on Commerce and Economic
10 Development.

11 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you,
12 Madam President. The Committee on
13 Commerce and Economic Development reports
14 one bill with a favorable recommendation.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
16 you.

17 The Chief Clerk will please
18 read the report.

19 CHIEF CLERK: To the President
20 and members of the Council of the City of
21 Philadelphia, the Committee on Commerce
22 and Economic Development, to which was
23 referred Bill No. 060226, entitled "An
24 ordinance amending Title 17 of The
25 Philadelphia Code, entitled 'Contracts

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2 bill just reported from committee.

3 All in favor will please say

4 aye.

5 (Aye.)

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those

7 opposed?

8 (No response.)

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The

10 ayes have it, and the bill just read will

11 be placed on our First Reading Calendar

12 for today.

13 Council will now proceed under

14 a special order of business to the

15 reconsideration of Bill No. 060576-A.

16 This bill was passed by City Council at

17 its March 1, 2007 session and was

18 returned disapproved by the Mayor at

19 today's session of Council.

20 At this time, the Chair

21 recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell.

22 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank

23 you, Madam President. I move that

24 Council reconsider Bill No. 060576-A,

25 which was approved by Council on March 1,

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2 2007.

3 (Duly seconded.)

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: All
5 in favor let it be known by saying aye.

6 (Aye.)

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
8 opposed?

9 (No response.)

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
11 motion carries. Council will now
12 consider the vote by which Bill No.
13 060576-A was passed.

14 I would ask the Chief Clerk to
15 please read the title of the bill.

16 CHIEF CLERK: Bill No.
17 060576-A, an ordinance providing for the
18 submission to the qualified electors of
19 the City of Philadelphia of an amendment
20 to Article VIII, Chapter 5 of the
21 Philadelphia Home Rule Charter, entitled
22 'Referenda Approved by the Voters,' by
23 adding a new section calling on the
24 citizens of Philadelphia to urge the
25 Philadelphia Board of Revision of Taxes

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2 to retain its current method of real
3 estate tax assessment and not change the
4 method as proposed under the BRT's Full
5 Valuation Initiative; fixing the date of
6 a special election for such purpose;
7 authorizing the appropriate officers to
8 publish notice and to make arrangements
9 for the special election.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This
11 bill having been read on two different
12 days was duly approved by City Council on
13 March 1, 2007 and was returned to Council
14 by the Mayor as disapproved at today's
15 session of Council. The question is
16 shall Bill No. 060576-A pass
17 notwithstanding the Mayor's disapproval.

18 Please note that a vote of aye
19 is a vote to override the Mayor's veto
20 and a vote of no is to sustain the
21 Mayor's veto.

22 At this time, I would ask the
23 Chief Clerk to please call the roll.

24 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
25 Blackwell.

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2 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

3 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman

4 Campbell.

5 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Aye.

6 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman

7 Clarke.

8 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

9 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman

10 DiCicco.

11 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.

12 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Goode.

13 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

14 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman

15 Greenlee.

16 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Aye.

17 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.

18 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.

19 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman

20 Kenney.

21 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

22 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman

23 Krajewski.

24 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

25 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman

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2 Miller.

3 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.

4 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman

5 O'Neill.

6 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.

7 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Ramos.

8 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Aye.

9 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman

10 Reynolds Brown.

11 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.

12 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.

13 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

14 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman

15 Savage.

16 COUNCILMAN SAVAGE: Aye.

17 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman

18 Tasco.

19 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

20 CHIEF CLERK: Council President

21 Verna.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

23 The ayes are 17; the nays are zero.

24 Two-thirds majority of all members of

25 Council having voted in the affirmative,

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2 the Mayor's veto is overridden.

3 The next order of business will
4 be the consideration of the Calendar. I
5 would ask the Chief Clerk to please read
6 the bills on the First Reading Calendar.

7 CHIEF CLERK: Bill No. 060957,
8 an ordinance approving the Municipal
9 Statement of Revival for the Frankford
10 Special Services District of Philadelphia
11 and authorizing the filing of such
12 statement with the Secretary of the
13 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
15 Chair agrees.

16 CHIEF CLERK: And Bill No.
17 070121, an ordinance authorizing
18 transfers in appropriations for Fiscal
19 Year 2007 within the Housing Fund to
20 certain or all City offices, departments,
21 boards and commissions.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The
23 Chair agrees.

24 CHIEF CLERK: And Bill No.
25 070122, an ordinance authorizing

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2 Chapter providing for the development of
3 and setting forth provisions relating to
4 Economic Opportunity Plans.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
6 Chair agrees, and that completes our
7 First Reading Calendar for today.

8 At this time, the Chair
9 recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell for the
10 purpose of calling up the bills on the
11 Second Reading and Final Passage Calendar
12 to be considered today.

13 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
14 you, Madam President. Today our Calendar
15 starts on Page 2. Bill No. 060902-A is
16 to be further amended. We will consider
17 the next bill, Bill No. 070016-A.
18 Following those pages we will go to
19 Page 7 where Bill No. 060901-A will be
20 amended. And, finally, on Page 9, the
21 last page of today's Calendar, we will
22 consider Bill Nos. 070051, 113 and 112.
23 All other bills are being held.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
25 you very much.

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2 If there are no objections,
3 since we have so many visitors with us
4 today, I would like to consider both
5 Resolution No. 070113 and Bill No. 070112
6 first.

7 So at this time, I would -- and
8 I would remind my colleagues that the
9 resolution requires a two-thirds vote of
10 all members of Council.

11 I would ask the Chief Clerk to
12 please read the title of Resolution No.
13 070113.

14 CHIEF CLERK: A resolution
15 submitting to the electors of the City,
16 on an election date to be designated by
17 ordinance, an amendment to the
18 Philadelphia Home Rule Charter relating
19 to the location of licensed gaming
20 facilities within the City, as proposed
21 by a petition filed with the Council.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank
23 you.

24 The Chair recognizes
25 Councilwoman Blackwell.

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2 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
3 you, Madam President. I'd like to be
4 recognized on this bill and ask if the
5 bill sponsor, Councilman DiCicco, would
6 permit interrogation.

7 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Yes.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: He
9 has agreed.

10 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
11 you, Madam President.

12 I wanted to raise this issue
13 because for the last week, I think, the
14 majority of Councilmembers have been
15 talking to one another and to everyone
16 else who is here both within the gates
17 and without about what we should do. It
18 seems to me that all of us agree on
19 issues going to the ballot. I thank my
20 colleagues for the override with regard
21 to full tax valuation, and, as you know,
22 this Council has agreed on a "bring the
23 troops home" legislation to go on the
24 ballot with regard to the Iraq War, and
25 we are considering the whole issue of

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2 asking the PUC to deny a rate increase
3 for PGW. So we're there on asking the
4 public to consider any issues that we
5 deal with. They're the people who elect
6 us and they're the people who have a
7 right to make those decisions.

8 It seems to me that --

9 (Applause.)

10 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: It
11 seems to me, Madam President, the
12 complication occurred because most people
13 seem to support the -- I support casino
14 gambling because I don't support an
15 increase in taxes. So we've got to have
16 money coming to the City in some way.

17 (Applause and boos.)

18 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Having
19 said that, the issue seems to be that we
20 haven't been able to split the baby. A
21 lot of people support the issue of the
22 SugarHouse above Spring Garden Street but
23 understand that the issue of the other
24 location, Foxwoods, has been the problem.
25 As the --

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2 (Applause and boos.)

3 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: As the
4 widow of a longshoreman and a former
5 union President from the International
6 Longshoreman's Association, obviously I
7 understand the issue and have been
8 approached by most people here.

9 My question to the bill sponsor
10 is, it seems to me that the issue has
11 been splitting the locations and the
12 issue of 1,500 feet in the question. So
13 my question to him specifically is, is
14 there any way we could work out these
15 issues or do we have to proceed today?
16 Is there something we can do to all move
17 forward so there are not so many
18 conflicts and that everyone could be on
19 the same page?

20 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Thank you.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:
22 Councilman, just a moment, please.

23 We will have silence.

24 Please proceed.

25 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Thank you,

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2 awarded the casinos, meaning Foxwoods and
3 the SugarHouse, and if we allow that to
4 happen, we in City Council, the elected
5 officials in this room who are the voice
6 of the citizens of Philadelphia, will
7 have then further denied the residents of
8 this city an opportunity to be heard.

9 Our state lawmakers --

10 (Applause.)

11 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Our
12 state -- as you know, numerous meetings
13 were held in this Chambers regarding this
14 issue. I've been on the road for 16
15 months with my legislative assistant
16 meeting with various civic associations.
17 Yes, they are in my district. This is
18 beyond a district issue. This is a
19 matter that will affect the City of
20 Philadelphia for decades to come.

21 (Applause.)

22 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: And I
23 understand the issues on both sides.
24 I've been pro development. I was the
25 author of the ten-year tax abatement that

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2 created millions of hours of construction
3 jobs in this City, and I continue to
4 fight for that in spite of my political
5 detractors who have tried to derail that.
6 I supported the Comcast building. I
7 supported stadiums, as all of us did. I
8 support Convention Center expansion. But
9 I think it's time that someone stands up
10 for the folks in this city and says to
11 our state lawmakers, who basically
12 silenced us, all of us, including me and
13 the other 16 members of this body, by
14 enacting a bill at 2 o'clock in the
15 morning on July 4th, '04 without giving
16 any of us in the City of Philadelphia,
17 not a single person in the City of
18 Philadelphia but for the state lawmakers,
19 an opportunity to speak on this issue.
20 We were denied --

21 (Applause.)

22 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: We were
23 denied the opportunity to be part of a
24 process, whether you're for casinos or
25 against casinos. Everyone in this room

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2 who is a Philadelphia resident, who is a
3 voter in this city and those who are
4 listening to us today and many other
5 folks who have been engaged in this
6 discussion will at least have the
7 opportunity to be heard on May 15th. It
8 may be voted up; it may be voted down.
9 We are the last line of defense. We
10 shouldn't take the position to silence
11 the people who put us in office as our
12 state lawmakers did in 2004.

13 (Applause.)

14 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: So a long
15 answer to your very short question, I
16 apologize, but I think it needs to be
17 understood.

18 There are four civic
19 associations that have raised \$80,000 to
20 hire counsel to appeal the Gaming Board's
21 decision to grant these two sites. There
22 are other lawsuits that are pending as
23 well. Queen Village Civic Association
24 put \$20,000 in that pot. Society Hill
25 Civic Association put \$20,000 into that

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2 pot. Whitman Council put \$20,000. And
3 Pennsport, whose President is one of the
4 biggest union leaders in the City of
5 Philadelphia, saw fit to put \$20,000 on
6 the table to fight these casinos as well.

7 (Applause.)

8 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: For me
9 it's an issue of siting, not so much of
10 an issue of whether casinos are good or
11 evil.

12 (Applause.)

13 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: So I would
14 respectfully decline to take the offer to
15 table this until after the May primary.
16 It needs to go forward now. Thank you.

17 (Applause and boos.)

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: We'll
19 wait.

20 Councilwoman Blackwell, your
21 light was on. Did you still want to be
22 recognized?

23 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
24 you, Madam President.

25 We thank my colleague. I never

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2 requested that we table it until after
3 the primary. I only asked if we would
4 consider holding it today.

5 I've heard my colleague's
6 response. I thank him very much.

7 Thank you, Madam President.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

9 You're welcome.

10 Again, I will repeat, since
11 Resolution No. 070113 is a Charter change
12 to the Home Rule Charter, it requires a
13 two-thirds vote majority.

14 At this time, I would ask the
15 Chief Clerk to please 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: Councilman Ramos.
24 COUNCILMAN RAMOS: Aye.
25 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman

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2 Reynolds Brown.

3 (Applause.)

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: We're
5 not finished with the vote.

6 (Audience yelling.)

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: We're
8 not finished and I -- may I have your
9 attention, please. We're not finished
10 with the vote and there's a bill
11 accompanying this. So I would ask you
12 all, please give us the respect we're
13 giving you.

14 Please continue with the note.

15 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman

16 Reynolds Brown.

17 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Aye.

18 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Rizzo.

19 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

20 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman

21 Savage.

22 COUNCILMAN SAVAGE: Aye.

23 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman

24 Tasco.

25 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

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2 CHIEF CLERK: Council President
3 Verna.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
5 The ayes are 17; the nays are zero.
6 (Applause.)

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: I
8 would ask the Chief Clerk to please read
9 the title of Bill No. 070112.

10 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
11 providing for the submission to the
12 qualified electors of the City of
13 Philadelphia of a proposed amendment to
14 the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter
15 relating to the location of licensed
16 gaming facilities within the City, as
17 proposed by a petition presented to the
18 Council and approved for submission to
19 the electors by resolution and to make
20 arrangements for the special election.

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

25 The Chief Clerk will please

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

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

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2 The ayes are 17; the nays are zero.

3 (Applause.)

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

5 Please, we still have business to
6 conduct. I thought I was giving you the
7 courtesy of listening to the two bills
8 before we heard any of our other bills.
9 If you want to leave now, do so quietly
10 so that we can continue on with our
11 business.

12 (Pause.)

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: I
14 would ask the Chief Clerk to please read
15 the title of Bill No. 060902-A.

16 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
17 amending Title 14 of The Philadelphia
18 Code, entitled "Zoning and Planning," by
19 amending Chapter 14-200, entitled
20 'Residential Districts,' by adopting a
21 new Section 14-217, entitled 'Industrial
22 Transformation District.'

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

25 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Thank you,

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2 Madam President. Madam President, this
3 is one of two amendments we will have for
4 these two companion bills.

5 (Pause.)

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: I
7 think our guests have left, so,
8 Councilman, would you repeat what you
9 said, because they were kind of noisy
10 leaving.

11 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Madam
12 President, this is one of two amendments
13 that we will have for these companion
14 bills. This Bill 902-A we are deleting
15 Section 2 in its entirety. Portions of
16 this section will be moved to the
17 companion bill with the later amendment.
18 I think these amendments have been
19 circulated, so I would like to ask for an
20 adoption of the amendment to Bill No.
21 060902-A.

22 (Duly seconded.)

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

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2 Councilman Clarke, I assume
3 that the amendments have been circulated.

4 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Yes, Madam
5 President.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERA: All in
7 favor of the motion will say aye.

8 (Aye.)

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
10 opposed?

11 (No response.)

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERA: The
13 ayes have it and the motion carries.

14 The Chief Clerk will please
15 read the title of Bill No. 070016-A.

16 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance
17 amending Title 11 of The Philadelphia
18 Code, entitled "Streets," by prohibiting
19 the construction or establishment of curb
20 cuts for vehicular access to certain
21 shopping areas, under certain terms and
22 conditions.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERA: This
24 bill having been read on two different
25 days, the question now is shall the bill

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2 pass finally.
3 The Chief Clerk will please
4 call the roll.
5 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
6 Blackwell.
7 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.
8 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
9 Campbell.
10 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Aye.
11 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
12 Clarke.
13 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.
14 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
15 DiCicco.
16 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.
17 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Goode.
18 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
19 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
20 Greenlee.
21 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Aye.
22 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.
23 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.
24 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
25 Kenney.

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

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2 Verna.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

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

7 The next bill to be called for
8 consideration is Bill No. 060901.

9 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance to
10 amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by
11 changing the zoning designations of
12 certain areas of land located within an
13 area bounded by Girard Avenue,
14 Pennsylvania Avenue and 32nd Street.

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

19 The Chief Clerk will please
20 call the roll.

21 Oh, I'm sorry. Councilman
22 Clarke, you want to offer an amendment?

23 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Yes, Madam
24 President. Madam President, the language
25 in this amendment is similar to the

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2 language that was in the bill that we
3 just deleted, that section. It
4 essentially lays out the community
5 benefits agreement as a result of the
6 creation of this master plan.

7 There is an additional
8 attachment that will be circulated that
9 actually talks about the Memorandum of
10 Understanding that was crafted at an
11 earlier date by the community, and I will
12 make sure that all of the Councilmembers
13 get that before the day is out or
14 actually before we leave here today, but
15 the amendment itself has in fact been
16 circulated. So I ask for an adoption of
17 the amendment to Bill No. 060901.

18 (Duly seconded.)

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

22 All in favor will please say
23 aye.

24 (Aye.)

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those

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2 opposed?

3 (No response.)

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Did I

5 hear a no?

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 amendment is

13 adopted.

14 I believe our next and final

15 bill is Bill No. 070051.

16 CHIEF CLERK: An ordinance

17 amending Section 14-1611 of The

18 Philadelphia Code by amending certain

19 provisions of the Special Height Control

20 District for Benjamin Franklin Parkway,

21 all under certain terms and conditions.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This

23 bill having been read on two different

24 days, the question now is shall the bill

25 pass finally.

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2 The Chief Clerk will please
3 call the roll.
4 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
5 Blackwell.
6 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.
7 CHIEF CLERK: Councilwoman
8 Campbell.
9 COUNCILWOMAN CAMPBELL: Aye.
10 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
11 Clarke.
12 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.
13 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
14 DiCicco.
15 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Aye.
16 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Goode.
17 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
18 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
19 Greenlee.
20 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Aye.
21 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman Kelly.
22 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.
23 CHIEF CLERK: Councilman
24 Kenney.
25 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

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

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

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

6 That completes our Calendar for
7 today.

8 Are there any speeches on the
9 part of the minority?

10 (No response.)

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Are
12 there speeches on the part of the
13 majority?

14 The Chair recognizes Councilman
15 DiCicco.

16 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Thank you,
17 Madam --

18 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Madam
19 President?

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Oh,
21 I'm sorry. Your light wasn't on.

22 COUNCILMAN KELLY: It was on.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: I'm
24 sorry.

25 Excuse me, Councilman DiCicco.

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2 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: I'll
3 yield.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
5 you. You'll yield.

6 The Chair recognizes Councilman
7 Kelly.

8 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Councilman,
9 you're having a good day. I'm going to
10 leave it at that.

11 Madam President, I'd like to
12 make two points. And, one, the first
13 one, I'm urging both sides of the current
14 labor dispute at Community College to
15 settle their differences and resume the
16 great service they provide our citizens,
17 especially our young students. It is too
18 important an institution to see disrupted
19 and not working. So I urge both sides to
20 get together and settle that dispute.

21 And on a lighter note, I would
22 like to take this opportunity to wish
23 everyone a safe and happy St. Patrick's
24 Day this coming weekend.

25 Thank you.

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
3 you. Same to you.

4 The Chair recognizes Councilman
5 DiCicco.

6 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Thank you,
7 Madam President. First, let me thank my
8 colleague, Councilman Kelly, for the
9 Irish potatoes. Thank you.

10 I just want to be very brief.
11 It's been a long several months of
12 meetings, discussions, and I know a lot
13 of you in this room were having some
14 difficulty with the casino bills that we
15 passed today. I know the pressure that
16 you were under. I understand that. I've
17 been under it a few times myself. But I
18 just wanted to take this opportunity to
19 publicly thank all of you for supporting
20 it.

21 You have my word, assuming I
22 don't get knocked off the ballot
23 tomorrow, that going forward during this
24 campaign between now and May 15th, I will
25 remind everybody I meet, every civic

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2 association that I speak to, of the
3 support that was given to me by this City
4 Council, and I really do appreciate your
5 courage in voting in favor of these
6 bills. So thank you again.

7 Thank you, Madam President.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

9 You're welcome.

10 The Chair recognizes

11 Councilwoman Blackwell.

12 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
13 you, Madam President. I, too, would like
14 to thank Councilman Kelly for our Irish
15 potatoes and I would also always thank --
16 this is a wonderful Council, and thanks
17 for all the support that you continue to
18 show, and a special thank you for West
19 Philadelphia High School this week. Many
20 of you came and many of you sent
21 representatives. And we certainly wanted
22 to say that we will keep Council informed
23 about all that we and the Education
24 Committee are doing to move that
25 situation forward. Thank you for the

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2 support.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

4 You're welcome.

5 The Chair recognizes

6 Councilwoman Tasco.

7 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Thank you,
8 Madam President. I have two comments on
9 two different issues, and I will be brief
10 on both. But I'd like to talk about the
11 editorial today in the Daily News
12 entitled "No Joy in Mortgage Bill." The
13 editorial focuses on the meltdown of the
14 subprime mortgage industry and predatory
15 lending.

16 In 2000, this Council held
17 hearings and passed legislation in an
18 effort to call attention and action to
19 address predatory lending and high
20 interest rates of subprime lending. We
21 lost on the legislation. However, we did
22 call attention to these ills, as I
23 campaigned around this country through
24 the National League of Cities.
25 Philadelphia rose to the occasion to

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2 protect its citizens by increasing the
3 number of counseling agencies in the
4 City, developing the PHIL Loan and Mini
5 PHIL Loan to assist residents with less
6 than perfect credit. The GPUAC
7 coordinated with the banks to develop
8 alternative products to protect our
9 citizens, and financial education
10 workshops are conducted throughout the
11 City by various elected officials and
12 community organizations. In spite of all
13 of the efforts made to protect our
14 citizens, many still fall prey to
15 predatory lending practices.

16 Next week I will ask my
17 colleagues to support a resolution
18 calling on our Governor and state
19 Legislature to take action on the package
20 of bills before them that would, as the
21 Daily News states, tighten standards and
22 regulate lenders and require more
23 disclosures on loan terms.

24 The National League of Cities
25 is pushing for a closer scrutiny on the

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2 national level. We hope, Madam
3 President, at some point in time that our
4 citizens will not be subjected to
5 predatory lending or high-cost loans, but
6 the market a few years ago was on the
7 rise and people were loaned money that
8 did not qualify. So we have to still
9 remain vigilant, and we hope the state
10 Legislature will take some action. So I
11 thank you about that.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
13 you.

14 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: The
15 next --

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Are
17 there any other speeches --

18 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: Madam
19 President, one more comment about another
20 issue.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Very
22 well.

23 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: The
24 current debate here in Philadelphia is
25 about how many police we should hire.

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2 City Council sought 100. The Governor
3 gave the City money for 100. The mayoral
4 candidates range from 500 to a thousand.
5 Our Mayor says that we do not need more
6 police, yet this week the Mayor launched
7 an all-out assault on crime in the 12th
8 District. My comments are not meant to
9 be critical of this action. The people
10 in that community need and deserve this
11 protection. What is puzzling is that if
12 we need more police in a concentrated
13 area to deal with crime and violence, why
14 not more police citywide to provide
15 coverage to all neighborhoods.

16 Thank you very much.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
18 you.

19 Are there any other comments or
20 speeches on the part of the majority?

21 (No response.)

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:

23 Seeing none, the Chair recognizes
24 Councilwoman Tasco for a motion to
25 adjourn.

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2 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Madam

3 President, I move that Council stand
4 adjourned until Thursday, March 22nd,
5 2007, 10:00 a.m.

6 (Duly seconded.)

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: That
8 is the 22nd.

9 All in favor will say aye.

10 (Aye.)

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Those
12 opposed?

13 (No response.)

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The
15 ayes have it and the motion carries.
16 Council will stand adjourned until March
17 the 22nd.

18 Thank you very much.

19 (Stated Meeting adjourned at
20 11:30 a.m.)

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