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COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA

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STATED MEETING

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Thursday, March 30, 2000

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10:30 a.m.

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Room 400, City Hall

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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PRESENT: COUNCIL PRESIDENT ANNA C. VERNA
COUNCILWOMAN JANNIE L. BLACKWELL
COUNCILWOMAN BLONDELL REYNOLDS BROWN
COUNCILMAN DARRELL L. CLARKE
COUNCILMAN DAVID COHEN
COUNCILMAN FRANK J. DICICCO
COUNCILMAN W. WILSON GOODE, JR.
COUNCILMAN JAMES F. KENNEY
COUNCILWOMAN JOAN L. KRAJEWSKI
COUNCILMAN W. THACHER LONGSTRETH
COUNCILMAN RICHARD T. MARIANO
COUNCILWOMAN DONNA REED MILLER
COUNCILMAN MICHAEL A. NUTTER
COUNCILMAN BRIAN J. O'NEILL
COUNCILMAN ANGEL L. ORTIZ
COUNCILMAN FRANK RIZZO
COUNCILWOMAN MARIAN B. TASCO

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MARIE HAUSER, Chief Clerk

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2 P R O C E E D I N G S

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: I note that
4 the hour has come and that a quorum of this
5 Council is present. Council will come to order,
6 Members will take their seats, and visitors will
7 retire to seats outside the rails.

8 To give our invocation this morning,
9 the Chair welcomes Rabbi Gabay, who is the Police
10 Chaplain at the 2nd and 15th Police Districts. He
11 is here today as a guest of Councilman O'Neill.

12 Members and guests will please rise.
13 All rise.)

14 RABBI GABAY: Our Father, who art in
15 heaven, protector and redeemer of mankind, bless
16 Thou the City of Brotherly Love, the City of
17 Philadelphia. Shelter it beneath the wings of
18 their love, spread over it the canopy of peace,
19 send Thy light and Thy truth to its leaders,
20 officers and counselors, and direct them with good
21 counsel. O, God, establish peace in this city and
22 everlasting joy city joy for it is inhabitants.
23 And let us all say amen.

24 ALL: Amen.

25 RABBI GABAY: Kindly be seated.

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2 Honorable President, Miss Anna Verna,
3 members of the City Council, Shalom to you, and
4 have a great day and an excellent and productive
5 meeting. May the Lord bless and protect, help and
6 guide you, the members of the Council of the City
7 of Brotherly Love, Philadelphia. May the Lord, in
8 His mercy, sustain you and deliver you from all
9 harm, inspire you and all your counselors and
10 aides to improve the life of all the inhabitants
11 of this city. May the Lord instruct you that you
12 may administer all affairs of this city in justice
13 and equity, that peace and security, happiness and
14 prosperity, pride and freedom may forever abide
15 among us. May the Lord guide you to unite all the
16 inhabitants of our city, whatever their origin and
17 creed and to a bond of true brotherhood to banish
18 hatred and bigotry and to serve God freedom to all
19 the inhabitants of this city.

20 May the favor of the Lord, our God, be
21 upon you. May the Lord bless you and protect you.
22 May the Lord make His faith to shine upon you.
23 May the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and
24 grant you peace. May you be an influence for good
25 in our beautiful Philadelphia, uniting all of us

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2 in peace and freedom. And let us all say amen.

3 ALL: Amen.

4 RABBI GABAY: Shalom, you all.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Shalom.

6 The Chair thanks the rabbi for his very
7 inspiring invocation.

8 Council will be at ease.

9 (Council stands at ease.)

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11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The next
12 order of business is the approval of the Journal
13 of the meeting of March 23, 2000.

14 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
15 Blackwell.

16 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,
17 Madam President. I move that the Journal of
18 Thursday, March 23, 2000, stand approved.

19 (Duly seconded.)

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It has been
21 moved and properly seconded that the Journal of
22 the meeting of Thursday, March 23, 2000, stand
23 approved.

24 All those in favor will signify by
25 saying aye.

1 REQUESTS FOR LEAVES OF ABSENCE

2 Those opposed, nay?

3 The ayes have it and the motion is
4 carried.

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6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The next
7 order of business is requests for leave of
8 absence, and the Chair recognizes Councilwoman
9 Blackwell.

10 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,
11 Madam President. There are no requests for leaves
12 of absence today on the part of the Majority.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
14 thanks the Councilwoman.

15 The Chair recognizes Councilman
16 O'Neill.

17 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Madam President, I
18 understand that Councilman Longstreth is en route,
19 and there are no requests at this time for leave
20 of absence on behalf of the Republicans.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

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23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
24 will dispense with the regular order of business
25 to recognize the guests and visitors joining us in

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2 chambers this morning.

3 On behalf of all Councilmembers, I
4 welcome you to on your Council session this
5 morning. We appreciate your taking the time to
6 join us as we attend to the legislative affairs of
7 our city. We certainly invite you to come again.

8 This morning, we are commemorating the
9 75th anniversary of the founding of the
10 Philadelphia Daily News. I invite Councilwoman
11 Krajewski, Councilwoman Blackwell, Councilman
12 O'Neill, Councilman Mariano, and Councilman
13 DiCicco to come forward to make the presentation,
14 which will be presented to the editor, Zachary
15 Stalberg. And if those who are accompanying Mr.
16 Stalberg will accompany him to the podium, the
17 presentation will be made.

18 (Honoree and Councilmembers come
19 forward.)

20 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Thank you,
21 Madam President. This is indeed an honor.

22 This is a resolution honoring the
23 Philadelphia Daily News on the occasion of its
24 75th anniversary.

25 Whereas, the Philadelphia Daily News

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2 printed its first issue on March 31, 1925, it
3 became the seventh daily newspaper being printed
4 in the City, and today only it and the Inquirer
5 remain;

6 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: And whereas, the
7 Daily News saw hard times early on and some years
8 even saw layoffs and cutbacks, but "The Daily" had
9 spirit and it had heart, and it has survived until
10 today through discipline, dedication to this city,
11 and determination to do its job and do it right;
12 and. . .

13 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Whereas,
14 today, the Daily News is technologically advanced
15 and highly automated, although the staff is larger
16 than in the old days, there is still a camaraderie
17 among the hundreds of men and women running the
18 machines, taking the photos, doing the writing,
19 driving the trucks, and in every other way getting
20 the paper to the people; and. . .

21 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Whereas, over the
22 years, Philadelphians have adopted the paper as
23 their own, and the Daily News has responded by
24 developing an almost personal relationship with
25 its readers. From the awesome headlines to the Yo

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2 Column, from the detailed articles to the in-depth
3 investigation, from full coverage of City
4 celebrations and tragedies, "The Daily" brings the
5 world to the people, and the people are
6 appreciative every day.

7 Now, therefore. . .

8 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Resolved by the
9 Council of the City of Philadelphia that we hereby
10 honor and commend the Daily News. We thank the
11 Daily News for its commitment to Philadelphia and
12 its identification with our citizens. We
13 congratulate the paper on its 75th anniversary.

14 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Resolved that
15 an engrossed copy of this resolution be presented
16 to Zachary Stalberg, editor of the Philadelphia
17 Daily News, as evidence of the respect and deep
18 admiration of this legislative body.

19 This is a true and correct copy of the
20 original resolution adopted in the Council of the
21 City of Philadelphia on the 2nd day of March,
22 2000, signed by the President of City Council Anna
23 C. Verna, cosponsored by all Members of City
24 Council.

25 (Applause.)

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
3 recognizes Mr. Stalberg for remarks.

4 MR. STALBERG: Thank you very much
5 Council President and all the members of City
6 Council. This means a great deal to me. I spent
7 many Thursday mornings covering this body and many
8 warm spring days covering budget hearings from
9 right about in this spot. So it means a lot to
10 me.

11 It's a very exciting moment for the
12 Daily News. We'll be putting out a 448-page
13 paper tomorrow, which is the biggest in our
14 history by about twice the normal number, and it's
15 dedicated to the 75 things we love about
16 Philadelphia. And I have to confess that City
17 Council didn't make that list because. . .

18 (Laughter.)

19 MR. STALBERG: Who would believe it?
20 But the -- but you're in our hearts. It's --
21 without the wild and woolly stories that City
22 Council has produced over the years, I'm not sure
23 we would have made it 75 years.

24 So thanks very much.

25 (Applause.)

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Council will
3 be at ease.

4 (Council stands at ease.)

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6 (Proceedings resume.)

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Councilwoman
8 Brown, do you want to be recognized? Councilwoman
9 Brown, your light is on. Do you want to be
10 recognized?

11 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: (Shakes head.)

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: May I ask
13 everyone to please put their mike on so that they
14 can be heard.

15 City Council is honored this morning to
16 be joined by the winners of the African-American
17 oratorical contest. Would Councilwoman Tasco
18 kindly come forward to make the introductions.

19 COUNCILWOMAN TESCO: Thank you, Madam
20 President.

21 This honor was granted to me by the
22 sponsors of this program from the School District
23 -- Dr. Carolyn Holmes and Mrs. Diane Partee. For
24 many years, our sister Councilwoman Augusta Clark
25 presented the winners of the oratorical contest to

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2 City Council, so I am really honored to have been
3 asked to follow in her foot steps to present the
4 winners today.

5 We are honored to have in our presence
6 the top 12 finalists of the School District of
7 Philadelphia's 21st African-American History
8 Oratorical Competition. During this competition,
9 33 school winners representing the best entries
10 from the lower-, middle- and upper-grade levels
11 were selected to compete in the citywide finals by
12 delivering their orations before a diverse panel
13 of judges.

14 This annual event is coordinated by the
15 efforts of Dr. Carolyn Holmes and Mrs. Diane
16 Partee of the School District's African-American
17 Studies Department. For many years, these women
18 have put their hearts and souls into organizing
19 this programs. I would like to ask Dr. Holmes and
20 Mrs. Partee to please stand and be recognized.

21 (Applause.)

22 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Today, we will
23 hear orations from the three first-place winners.
24 However, I would like the following participants,
25 their coordinators, and families to please stand

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2 and be recognized. They are:

3 In the elementary school category,
4 second-place winner, LeLand Kent, 5th grade,
5 Elwood School.

6 (Applause.)

7 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: Third-place
8 winner, Meoshe McQueen, 5th grade, Stanton School.

9 (Applause.)

10 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: Fourth place,
11 Justin Jones, 4th grade, Blaine School.

12 (Applause.)

13 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: Maybe he's on his
14 way in.

15 We'd like to congratulate you. Thank
16 you very much.

17 (Applause.)

18 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: The middle school
19 winners:

20 Second place, Donna Reddy, 9th grade,
21 Parkway.

22 (Applause.)

23 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: Third place,
24 Dominique Barge, 8th grade, Gillespie.

25 (Applause.)

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2 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: Fourth place,
3 Raymond Lynn, 9th grade, Creative and Performing
4 Arts.

5 (Applause.)

6 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: We'd like to
7 congratulate these students.

8 (Applause.)

9 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: The upper-level:
10 Second place, Stephanie Tisdale, 11th
11 grade, Central High.

12 (Applause.)

13 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: Third place, Alia
14 Hatch, 10th grade, Carver High.

15 (Applause.)

16 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: Fourth place,
17 Nathan Harmon, 12th grade, Creative and Performing
18 Arts.

19 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: We really
20 congratulate you and thank you for coming.

21 (Applause.)

22 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: We will now hear
23 from the first-place winners in this order. The
24 first will be Jenne Ayers, representing the
25 elementary level, 6th grade, at Masterman School.

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2 Welcome, Jenne.

3 (Applause.)

4 MISS AYERS: "They said 'wait.' Well,
5 I waited. For a hundred years, I waited. In
6 cotton fields, kitchens, balconies, outside of
7 schools and voting booths. Then a new wind blew
8 and a new voice rode its wings with quiet
9 urgency. 'No,' it said. Not 'never,' not
10 'later.' 'Now.' Walk."

11 Lines from a poem by Naomi Madgett,
12 Alabama Centennial.

13 Good morning, ladies and gentlemen. My
14 name is Jenne Baccar Ayers. I am a 6th-grade
15 student at the J.R. Masterman School. The title
16 of my oration is "We've Waited Long Enough."

17 (Applause.)

18 MISS AYERS: All through history, we as
19 African-Americans have been told to wait or it is
20 not the right time. We have been more than
21 patient. Through the long sufferings and pain, we
22 have been able to remain strong. I come to tell
23 you today, let's stop putting our ideas and dreams
24 on the back burner. It is time to make a change
25 we waited long enough.

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2 "They said wait. Well, I waited. For
3 a hundred years. I waited."

4 During slavery, our ancestors were
5 forbidden to educate themselves and each other.
6 Not to mention, starting their own businesses and
7 being recognized for their inventions and
8 achievements.

9 In 1776, in The Declaration of
10 Independence, Jefferson's paragraph condemning
11 human bondage was stricken. The Constitutional
12 Convention in 1787 said only three-fifths of
13 slaves could be counted in the South for
14 representation in Congress. The Fugitive Slave
15 Law of 1850 made Dred Scott wait for his freedom.

16 "They said wait. Well, I waited.
17 Then a new wind blew and a new voice rode its
18 wings with quiet urgency. 'No,' it said. 'We've
19 waited long enough.'" .

20 So in 1904, Mary McLeod Bethune founded
21 the Industrial School for Young Negro Women. She
22 started with \$1.50 in cash, 5 students, and a
23 rented college that became Bethune Cookman College
24 in 1923. What if Mary McLeod Bethune had
25 awaited?

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2 Then there was Carter G. Woodson,
3 historian and educator. Woodson was unable to
4 attend school until the age of 20. That did not
5 stop him. He educated himself and received his
6 high school diploma in less than two years. The
7 work of Carter G. Woodson has provided us with a
8 meaningful understanding of African-Americans,
9 past and present.

10 What if the inventor Gary Morgan
11 decided to wait on his inventions? Would there be
12 air masks to help firefighters to enter smoke-
13 filled, burning buildings when rescuing men,
14 women, and children? Or automated stop signs to
15 aid the movement of traffic?

16 The "Real McCoy" would have never
17 happened if Elijah waited.

18 When Emma Chappell formulated her idea
19 to give us a black bank that can recycle our money
20 back into our communities, this was another chance
21 for us to regain strength. She didn't wait to
22 contribute to our community's economic
23 empowerment.

24 Don't wait to take chances on things
25 that will help improve our future. They are worth

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2 the risk. We must change our habits and our
3 thinking now. We need to listen to our elders and
4 follow their directions. We should handle our
5 money like we're going to need it in the future.
6 We need to stop sign violence and recycle that
7 energy for good. We need to take the chance. It
8 is worth the risk.

9 Don't wait to voice your opinions or
10 concerns that are vital to your community. Don't
11 wait to open businesses in your community. Don't
12 wait to register as a voter. And please, please
13 don't let opportunities pass you by. We have
14 power among us. The power is in our minds. When
15 we use our minds constructively, we can do
16 whatever we want to do.

17 In the words of famed poet Maya
18 Angelou, "History, despite its wrenching pain,
19 cannot be unlived, but if faced with courage, need
20 not be lived again.

21 "Lift up your eyes upon this day
22 breaking for you. Give birth again to the dream.

23 "Women, children, men, take it into the
24 palm of your hand, mold it into the shape of your
25 most private need, sculpt it into the image of

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2 your most public self.

3 "Lift up your hearts. Each new hour
4 holds new chances for a new beginning.

5 "New year, new century, new
6 millennium."

7 We've waited long enough.

8 Thank you.

9 (Applause.)

10 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Again, that was
11 Jenne Ayers. A wonderful presentation from the
12 sixth grade of Masterman School. Thank you so
13 much, Jenne. We can see why you won.

14 Representing the middle level is
15 Frances Quarterman, 7th grade, Lamberton Middle
16 School.

17 MISS QUARTERMAN: Good afternoon. My
18 name is Frances Allene Quarterman. I attend the
19 Robert E. Lamberton Middle School, in the
20 Overbrook Cluster. I am currently in my seventh
21 year of study. The title of my oration is "The
22 Becoming of Thoughts and Dreams."

23 Madam C.J. Walker, one of the first
24 American women of any race to become a millionaire
25 through her own hard work, made the statement,

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2 "I've got myself a start by giving myself a
3 start." The start she was referring to was a dream
4 of being an independent entrepreneur.

5 The question I have for you is, have
6 you given yourself a start? Do you have a dream
7 that drives you, that encourages you, that makes
8 you reach for the stars? While others attempt to
9 discourage you, when they don't believe you can do
10 it, do you have a dream that will keep you focused
11 and moving forward? And do you have the courage
12 to pursue that dream?

13 In the book of Proverbs, it states,
14 "Where there is no vision, the people perish."

15 Will you make it your purpose to
16 inspire our young people to dream?

17 (Miss Quarterman pauses.)

18 (Applause.)

19 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: That's okay,
20 Frances. Sometimes we all get a little
21 overwhelmed, so if you might want to make your
22 presentation after the next one, you feel free to
23 come back.

24 Representing the upper level will be
25 Claudia Streets, 12th grade, Masterman.

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2 (Applause.)

3 MS. STREETS: Good morning. My name is
4 Claudia Streets, and I attend J.R. Masterman High
5 School. The title of my oration is "Whatever You
6 Can Conceive and Believe, You Can Achieve."

7 "We went in for agitation. We pushed
8 our ways into the courts. We demanded the right
9 to vote. We urged and impelled our children into
10 college. We encouraged Negro arts and literature
11 we studied African history. And in and out of
12 season, we declared that the Negro races were
13 destined to share in the heritage of this earth."
14 W.E.B. DuBois.

15 Our reimbursement for 400-plus years of
16 still ever-present oppression of my black people
17 is disintegration of welfare, vanishing
18 affirmative action, and the chronic affliction of
19 the "while black" epidemic. This element includes
20 looking for housing, applying for credit, working
21 in white institutions, and simply driving "while
22 black." Defeated, parasitic minds try to instill
23 in us a mentality of "You're only a black in
24 America, with the statistics and odds already
25 against you. Did you really think you could

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2 succeed?"

3 Allow me to ask you a question: Do you
4 know who you are and the strong heritage from
5 which you have come? Inside each of us lies the
6 seed of achievement which, if nourished, will
7 carry you to heights such as you may never have
8 hoped to attain. If you have ever been delusioned
9 and discouraged, if you have ever had difficulties
10 to surpass which have taken the very soul out of
11 you, I am here to tell you that whatever you can
12 conceive and believe, you can achieve.

13 A person is product of his own
14 thoughts. We can alter our lives by altering our
15 attitudes of mind. In the words of Fredrick
16 Douglas, "Our destiny is largely in our own heads.
17 If we succeed, it must be by other own energies
18 and are own exertions. Others may clear the road,
19 but we must go forward or get left behind."

20 Take full responsibility of your life.
21 You should be on the front lines, not the side
22 lines. Resolve that you are no longer going to be
23 a volunteer victim. Stop counting the days, and
24 make the days count.

25 If we want to begin to move, we have to

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2 eliminate all the unnecessary baggage that is
3 weighing us down. Franklin Roosevelt reminds us
4 that men are not prisoners of fate but prisoners
5 of their own mind. We are born into a limited
6 mindset and we buy into it. Some go to their
7 graves without discovering their true greatness.

8 Many do not succeed because we are
9 living within the context of the conversations,
10 opinions, or the expectations that other people
11 have of us. Do not allow other people's limited
12 perceptions to define you. Nothing more splendid
13 has ever been achieved, except the feats of our
14 strong black ancestors who dared to believe that
15 something inside was so strong, indomitable to all
16 circumstances. No one can make you feel inferior
17 without your consent.

18 There may be no heroic connotation to
19 the word "perseverance," but the attribute is to
20 the character of man what carbon is to steel. No
21 matter what thing you do, you're going to have
22 oppositions, difficulties, and challenges. You
23 cannot begin to expose yourself to new abilities
24 you have, going through life trying to get by
25 easily. Plan your work, relentlessly work your

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2 plan. The future belongs to those who prepare for
3 today. Your life belongs to you, claim it.

4 The entire history of my people has
5 served as evidence that we are never defeated
6 until our defeat has been accepted as a reality.
7 We didn't write a constitution; we lived one. We
8 didn't say, "We, the people"; we are one. We
9 didn't have to add as an afterthought "under God";
10 we turned our faces to the rising sun from which
11 cometh our hope, knowing that a new day was
12 dawning.

13 Our impulse is strong determination,
14 recognizes no such word as "impossible," accepts
15 no such reality as failure, and will not
16 acknowledge defeat as being anything more than a
17 temporary obstruction.

18 Life happens at the level of events,
19 not of words. It's time to stop talking about it
20 and be about it. You can listen to what everybody
21 else says but the fact remains that you have to go
22 out there and do it yourself. Nobody's going to
23 open up your store, write your book, start your
24 business. Make a Declaration of Independence to
25 yourself, of your soul, of your destiny. Prepare

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2 yourself for what it is you want because you
3 expect to get it.

4 The fulfillment of your dreams lies
5 within you and you alone. When you understand
6 this -- that nothing or no one can deny you
7 greatness -- the power to succeed is yours. Your
8 mind will not be proof that whatever the mind of
9 man can confidently conceive and emphatically
10 believe, it can with no doubt achieve.

11 Thank you and God bless.

12 (Applause.)

13 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: Thank you so much,
14 Claudia.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Councilwoman
16 Tasco, excuse me. I think we may have the other
17 contestants ready now.

18 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: Okay. Frances
19 Quarterman.

20 (Applause.)

21 MS. QUARTERMAN: Good afternoon. My
22 name is Frances Allene Quarterman. I attend the
23 Robert Lamberton Middle School, in the Overbrook
24 Cluster. I am currently in my seventh year of
25 study. The title of my oration is "The Becoming

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2 of Thoughts in Dreams."

3 Madam C.J. Walker, one of the first
4 American women of any race to become a millionaire
5 through her own hard work made this statement: "I
6 got myself a start by giving myself a start." The
7 start she was referring to was a dream of being an
8 independent entrepreneur.

9 The question I have for you is, have
10 you given yourself a start? Do you have a dream
11 that drives you, that encourages you, that makes
12 you reach for the stars? While others attempt to
13 discourage you, when they don't believe you can do
14 it, do you have a dream that will keep you focused
15 and moving forward? And do you have the courage
16 to pursue that dream?

17 In the book of Proverbs, it states,
18 "Where there is no vision, the people perish."
19 Each and every one of us needs something to reach
20 for. Without a vision, a dream, we are like fall
21 leaves, spiraling down from the tree of life, only
22 to be crushed underfoot.

23 To quote Howard Thurman, an inspiring
24 preacher and educator of the 20th century, "A
25 dream is the bearer of a new possibility, the

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2 enlarged horizon, the great hope." A dream has
3 the ability to carry you to a new possibility. It
4 brings with it an opportunity for increased
5 knowledge, interest, and new experiences, but it
6 starts with the dream. Without the dream, you
7 don't even see the possibilities.

8 A portion of my generation can't see
9 past today. They are preoccupied with surviving
10 or caught up in the joy of the moment. They don't
11 have a dream, or they are choosing not to pursue
12 their dream at this time. But precious time is
13 wasting. Each day should be filled with
14 accomplishment. We cannot passively wait for our
15 dreams to come true; we must aggressively stalk
16 their fruition.

17 The history of my people is beautifully
18 embellished with dreams. There are stories of
19 dreams realized like those of Jackie Robinson, who
20 was the first African-American to play major
21 league baseball, and my aunt Constance Quarterman,
22 who has seen many of her poems and short stories
23 published. There are also stories of dreams not
24 yet fulfilled, dreams that have been passed on to
25 a new generation.

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2 A dream most worthy of our collective
3 pursuit is that of Langston Hughes, who said, "I
4 dream a world where men no other will scorn, where
5 love will bless the earth and peace its path
6 adorn."

7 I, too, have a dream. It is a dream of
8 one day being at the pinnacle of the medical
9 profession. What drives me to fulfill this goal
10 is my desire to help others. My dream is of being
11 a brain surgeon. What fascinates me about the
12 brain is the fact that it is the organ that
13 controls the whole body. Did you know that most
14 people use only use 3 percent of their brain?
15 Imagine what thoughts and dreams we would have if
16 50 percent of that gray matter were being tapped.
17 Our School District's "Reaching Higher" dream
18 could realistically be achieved.

19 My dreams started when Uncle Sonny gave
20 me a book entitled, "I Dream a World." It is a
21 book that chronicles the achievements of
22 African-American women. One of the aspiring
23 persons presented in this book was Dr. Alexa
24 Canady. She was the first African-American female
25 neurosurgeon in the United States. However, my

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2 chief inspiration was from Dr. Daniel Webster
3 Gaither, a.k.a. "Uncle Sonny."

4 Uncle Sonny was an orthopedic surgeon.
5 He met an untimely death six years ago on Martin
6 Luther King, Jr. Day. My uncle's dream of
7 becoming a doctor and marrying his childhood
8 sweetheart was realized. His obtaining his dream
9 inspires me and encourages me to endure the
10 challenge ahead. This dream will come true. I
11 believe the words of author and editor Toni Cade
12 Bombara, who stated, "The dream is real, my
13 friend. The failure to make it work is the
14 unreality."

15 The youth are the main concerns. We
16 are the holders of the future, the carriers of the
17 great dreams. It is up to us to embody the dreams
18 of Langston Hughes and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.,
19 but before we can embody their dream, we must
20 first create, nurture, and achieve our own
21 dreams. To do that, we must be inspired remember.
22 Remember, where there is no vision, the people
23 perish.

24 Will you make it your purpose to
25 inspire our young people to dream? I hope that my

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2 dreams will encourage and inspire my peers,
3 because when I set myself to this task, I first
4 echoed the prayer of Joseph Cotter, "O, God, give
5 me the words to let my dream-children live."

6 I thank you.

7 (Applause.)

8 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: Again, I'd like to
9 thank Jenne Ayers, Frances Quarterman, and Claudia
10 Streets for their wonderful presentation. We
11 appreciate it, they were absolutely wonderful, and
12 we can see why you are winners.

13 We want to congratulate the other young
14 people who represent the other schools and hope
15 that some day we will hear your presentation as we
16 travel throughout the School District for various
17 programs.

18 We'd also like to thank the sponsors,
19 Dr. Holmes and Miss Partee, for their leadership.
20 And we'd like to ask the parents and friends who
21 have accompanied these young people here today to
22 please stand and be recognized.

23 (Applause.)

24 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: I would like to
25 say that each of the students will receive a City

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2 Council citation and also will be hosted by Mellon
3 Bank in a luncheon that's usually held the day of
4 the event, but we will have it before the month of
5 April is over.

6 I'd like to again thank you again very
7 much. And it's my honor, Madam President, to have
8 been asked to be the sponsor of these students
9 here in City Council today.

10 Thank you.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you,
12 Councilwoman.

13 (Applause.)

14 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: Madam President,
15 I'd like to recognize Dr. Edward Robinson, who is
16 a noted black historian of African-American
17 history in this country, and I would --

18 (Applause.)

19 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: As you know, he is
20 his own personality in his own write, but is the
21 uncle of Dave Richardson, our former State
22 Representative. He is accompanied by his wife,
23 Harriet Robinson, and their niece, noted historian
24 and African-American -- and their niece Michelle
25 Harmon. Michelle went to Bennett with me, yes.

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2 Thank you.

3 (Applause.)

4 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: Okay, and the
5 grandparents of Nathan Harmon. We wondered why
6 they were here today.

7 (Applause.)

8 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: And also, Madam
9 President, I'd like to introduce the grandson of
10 my former Chief of Staff, Marilyn Clyburn. His
11 name is Frankie Clyburn, and he's visiting us
12 today from Phoenix, Arizona. He is 10.

13 (Applause.)

14 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: And he's
15 accompanied by his cousin, Brandon Charity, who is
16 in 8th grade at Penn Charter School here in
17 Philadelphia.

18 (Applause.)

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERN0: Thank you,
20 Councilwoman.

21 And, again, congratulations to all of
22 you. You were absolutely magnificent. Let's give
23 them another round of applause. Beautiful.

24 (Applause.)

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1 COMMUNICATIONS

2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The next
3 order of business is communications.

4 The Chair requests that the
5 Sergeant-at-Arms deliver the messages from the
6 Mayor to the Clerk. The Clerk will read the
7 messages from the Mayor.

8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: To the President
9 and Members of the City Council of the City of
10 Philadelphia, I am pleased to advise you that I
11 have today signed the following bills, which were
12 passed by Council at its session of March 16,
13 2000: Bill No. 000016, 000017, 000020, 000024,
14 000026, 000080, 000083 and 000087.

15 And a resolution approving the
16 redevelopment contract and disposition supplement
17 of the Redevelopment Authority of the City of
18 Philadelphia for the redevelopment and urban
19 renewal of a portion of Model Cities Urban Renewal
20 Area, identified by house number and street
21 address as 1217 North Third Street.

22 And an ordinance amending an ordinance
23 approved November 13, 1997 (Ordinance No. 970270),
24 which authorized the Commissioner of Public
25 Property to execute and deliver to the

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2 Philadelphia Authority for Industrial Development,
3 without consideration, a deed conveying fee simple
4 title to a certain tract of City-owned land.

5 And I am transmitting herewith for the
6 introduction and consideration of your honorable
7 the following:

8 Two resolutions appointing members to
9 the Board of Directors of the Old City Special
10 Services District of Philadelphia, namely Allen
11 Greenberger, term to expire December 31, 2003; and
12 Bush Bell, term to expire December 31, 2001.

13 And five resolutions appointing members
14 to the Board of Directors of the South Street
15 Headhouse District of Philadelphia, namely:
16 Howard Lander, term to expire December 31, 2004;
17 Marlene Weinberger, term to expire December 31,
18 2004; Al Sitnick, term to expire December 31,
19 2004; Norman Tisian, term to expire December 31,
20 2001, 2001; and Fluffy Palmer, term to expire
21 December 31, 2003.

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

24 The Clerk will read any other
25 communications in her possession.

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2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: I have none, Madam
3 President.

4 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: Thank you.

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6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The next
7 order of business is the introduction of bills and
8 resolutions. The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
9 Blackwell for a motion.

10 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,
11 Madam President. I move that the rules be
12 suspended to permit immediate consideration of
13 resolutions at the time of their introduction.

14 (Duly seconded.)

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It has been
16 moved and properly seconded that the rules of
17 Council be suspended so as to permit immediate
18 consideration of resolutions at the time of
19 introduction.

20 All those in favor will signify by
21 saying aye.

22 Those opposed?

23 The ayes have it and the motion is
24 carried.

25 The Chair recognizes Councilman Kenney.

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

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

6 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
7 amending Chapter 19-2600 of the Philadelphia Code,
8 entitled "Business Privilege Taxes," by adding a
9 definition, "information technology services," and
10 by excluding from the definition of "receipts" any
11 receipts from information technology services,
12 under certain terms and conditions.

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

15 Could we have the students come back
16 again so that we can have a photograph taken with
17 all of the Councilmembers.

18 Council will be at ease for just a
19 moment, please.

20 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Madam
21 President?

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Yes?

23 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: While we're
24 waiting for them, we would like to introduce --
25 Councilman Mariano just introduced me to a

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2 gentleman on the side who's dressed in native
3 garb. His name is Mr. Nannen Jiffey, III (ph.).
4 He's a senior divisional chief of the Cape Coast
5 in Ghana. And there he is at the side, he just
6 stepped inside the gate so that we could all meet
7 him.

8 (Applause.)

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Councilwoman,
10 while we're waiting, do you have any bills or
11 resolutions. Okay, we might as well wait.

12 Councilmembers will please join the
13 students for a photograph.

14 (Council stands at ease.)

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16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Councilwoman
17 Blackwell, do you have any bills or resolutions to
18 be introduced today?

19 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,
20 Madam President. I have three resolutions and one
21 bill -- one bill and a resolution on your behalf
22 and two resolutions on my behalf.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.
24 The Clerk will please read the title of the bill.

25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance

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2 amending an ordinance approved November 13, 1997,
3 (Ordinance No. 970270), which authorized the
4 Commissioner of Public Property to execute and
5 deliver to the Philadelphia Authority for
6 Industrial Development without consideration a
7 deed conveying fee simple title to a certain tract
8 of City-owned land, with the buildings and
9 improvements thereon erect and situate, on the
10 northeast corner of Seventh Street and Pattison
11 Avenue, in the 39th Ward of the City of
12 Philadelphia.

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

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

17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
18 authorizing the Commission of Public Property to
19 execute and deliver to the Redevelopment Authority
20 of the City of Philadelphia without consideration
21 deeds for properties situate in the 6th Ward of
22 the City of Philadelphia.

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

25 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,

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2 Madam President. I move the adoption of the
3 resolution.

4 (Duly seconded.)

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

8 All those in favor will signify by
9 saying aye.

10 Those opposed?

11 The ayes have it and the motion is
12 carried.

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

15 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
16 congratulating Leslie Seymour.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
18 recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell.

19 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,
20 Madam President. I move the adoption.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Do I hear a
22 second?

23 (Duly seconded.)

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It has been
25 moved and properly seconded that the resolution be

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2 adopted.

3 All those in favor will signify by
4 saying aye.

5 Those opposed?

6 The ayes have it and the motion is
7 carried.

8 The Clerk will please read the third
9 resolution.

10 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
11 authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to
12 execute and deliver to the Redevelopment Authority
13 of the City of Philadelphia deeds for properties
14 situate in the 36th and 40th Wards of the City of
15 Philadelphia.

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

18 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,
19 Madam President. I move the adoption.

20 (Duly seconded.)

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

24 All those in favor will signify by
25 saying aye.

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2 Those opposed?

3 The ayes have it and the motion is
4 carried.

5 The Chair recognizes Councilman Cohen.

6 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Madam President, I
7 offer one resolution cosponsored by all but one
8 Democrat and one Republican. All other Members
9 have could sponsored it.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.
11 The Clerk will read the title of the resolution.

12 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
13 calling for hearings by the Committee on Law and
14 Government on the health effects of MTBE on
15 Philadelphians.

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: This
17 resolution will be referred to the appropriate
18 committee.

19 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
20 Krajewski.

21 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Madam
22 President, I have one resolution.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Clerk
24 will please read the title of the resolution.

25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution

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2 honoring and commending the members of the 1980
3 Philadelphia Phillies on their 20th anniversary of
4 their magical championship season, and designating
5 June 16th through 18th, 2000, as "Phillie Reunion
6 Weekend" in the City of Philadelphia.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
8 recognizes Councilwoman Krajewski.

9 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: I move for the
10 adoption of the resolution.

11 (Duly seconded.)

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

15 All those in favor will signify by
16 saying aye.

17 Those opposed, nay?

18 The ayes have it and the motion is
19 carried.

20 The Chair recognizes Councilman
21 Mariano.

22 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Madam President, I
23 have one bill and one resolution.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Clerk
25 will please read the title of the bill.

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2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
3 amending Section 12-2809 of the Philadelphia Code,
4 which prescribes the civil penalties and cost for
5 violation of the Philadelphia Traffic Code by
6 increasing the civil penalties for violation of
7 Section 12-1120, which prohibits a person from
8 leaving parked any vehicle not capable of being
9 moved under its own power or with deflated tires
10 or without current license tags, and by increasing
11 the civil penalty for violation of Section 12-916,
12 which prohibits a person from parking a vehicle if
13 the person is not licensed.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Do you want
15 to be recognized?

16 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Yes, Madam
17 President.

18 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: The Chair
19 recognizes Councilman Mariano.

20 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: I forgot to
21 mention the bill was cosponsored by Councilman
22 Clarke and Councilman Ortiz.

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

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2 The Clerk will please read the
3 resolution.

4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
5 approving the redevelopment contract and
6 disposition supplement of the Redevelopment
7 Authority of the City of Philadelphia for the
8 urban renewal of a portion of the Model Cities
9 Urban Renewal Area identified as house number and
10 street address as 1217 North Third Street.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
12 recognizes Councilman Mariano.

13 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: I move for the
14 adoption, Madam President.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Do I hear
16 second?

17 (Duly seconded.)

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

20 All those in favor will signify by
21 saying aye.

22 Those opposed?

23 The ayes have it and the motion is
24 carried.

25 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman

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2 Miller.

3 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Thank you, Madam
4 President. I offer one bill -- I'm sorry, one
5 resolution cosponsored by Councilwoman Blackwell.

6 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: The Clerk will
7 please read the title of the resolution.

8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
9 honoring and commending the accomplishments of
10 Lurline Jones, as the girls basketball coach for
11 the University City High School. Coach Jones led
12 her team to 1999-2000 Public League Championship
13 in 1998.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
15 recognizes Councilwoman Miller.

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

19 (Duly seconded.)

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

23 All those in favor will signify by
24 saying aye.

25 Those opposed?

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2 The ayes have it and the motion is
3 carried.

4 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: I'd like to --

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

7 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Thank you, Madam
8 President. I'd like to know if someone can check
9 my mike. I've been here now for four years and
10 three months, and it seems like I've been having
11 trouble time and time again with this mike.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Hopefully
13 during the summer months, this will all addressed
14 and we will all have new speakers.

15 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Thank you.

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

17 The Chair recognizes Councilman Nutter.

18 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Madam President, I
19 offer three bills.

20 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: The Clerk will
21 please read the title of the first bill.

22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
23 amending Chapter 17-900 of the Philadelphia Code,
24 entitled "Neighborhood Benefit Strategy," by
25 further providing for safe harbor goals.

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

4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
5 amending Title 17 of the Philadelphia Code,
6 entitled "Contracts and Procurement," by adding a
7 new Chapter 17-100, entitled Employment of Low-
8 and Moderate-Income Persons by City Contractors."

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

11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: And an ordinance
12 amending Title 18 of the Philadelphia Code,
13 entitled "Commerce," by renaming the title to read
14 as "Commerce Economic and Community Development,"
15 and further amending Title 18.

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

18 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
19 Brown.

20 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Good morning. I
21 have no bills or resolutions.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
23 thanks the Councilwoman.

24 The Chair recognizes Councilman Goode.

25 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you, Madam

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2 President. I have no bills or resolutions.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

4 The Chair recognizes Councilman Ortiz.

5 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Thank you, Madam

6 President. I have no bills or resolutions today.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

8 The Chair recognizes Councilman

9 DiCicco.

10 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Thank you, Madam

11 President. Earlier I reported seven resolutions;

12 I'm revising that to eight resolutions and two

13 bills.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

15 The Clerk will please read the title of the first

16 bill.

17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance

18 amending Section 9-103 of the Philadelphia Code,

19 entitled "Enforcement and Appeals," by providing

20 that appeals to the Board of Licenses and

21 Inspection Review shall not stay proceedings in

22 the furtherance of the action appealed from, under

23 certain terms and conditions.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The bill will

25 be referred to the appropriate committee.

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2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: And an ordinance
3 authorizing Gina DeJesse, owner of the property
4 1824 East Passyunk Avenue, Philadelphia,
5 Pennsylvania, to construct and maintain various
6 encroachments.

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

9 Miss Hauser perhaps, you could read all
10 of the eight resolutions, and we'll refer them to
11 committee.

12 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: I will.

13 A resolution appointing Allen
14 Greenberger to the Board of Directors of the Old
15 City Special Service District of Philadelphia.

16 And a resolution appointing Bush Bell
17 to the Board of Directors of the Old City Special
18 Service District of Philadelphia.

19 And a resolution appointing Fluffy
20 Palmer to the Board of Directors of the South
21 Street Headhouse District.

22 And a resolution appointing Norman
23 Tissian to the Board of Directors of the South
24 Street Headhouse District of Philadelphia.

25 And a resolution appointing Howard

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2 Lander to the Board of Directors of the South
3 Street Headhouse District.

4 And a resolution appointing Marlene
5 Weinberger to the Board of Directors of the South
6 Street Headhouse District Philadelphia.

7 And a resolution appointing Al Sitnick
8 to the Board of Directors of the Headhouse
9 District -- I'm sorry, Director of the South
10 Street Headhouse District of Philadelphia.

11 And a resolution appointing Bob Pierson
12 to the Board of Directors of the South Street
13 Headhouse District of Philadelphia.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The eight
15 resolutions will be referred to the appropriate
16 committee for a hearing.

17 The Chair recognizes Councilman
18 O'Neill.

19 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Madam President, I
20 have no bills or resolutions.

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

22 The Chair recognizes Councilman Clarke.

23 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Thank you, Madam
24 Chair. Madam Chair, I have two resolutions -- one
25 cosponsored by Councilwoman Reynold-Brown and

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2 myself.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The Clerk
4 will please read the title of the first
5 resolution.

6 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
7 declaring April as "Child Abuse Prevention Month"
8 in Philadelphia.

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

11 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: I move for the
12 adoption.

13 (Duly seconded.)

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

17 All those in favor will signify by
18 saying aye.

19 Those opposed?

20 The ayes have it and the motion is
21 carried.

22 The Clerk will please read the title of
23 the second resolution.

24 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
25 honoring the Strawberry Mansion High School Boys

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2 Basketball Team on winning the Public League
3 Basketball Championship.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
5 recognizes Councilman Clarke.

6 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: I move for the
7 adoption.

8 (Duly seconded.)

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

11 All those in favor will signify by
12 saying aye.

13 Those opposed?

14 The ayes have it and the motion is
15 carried.

16 The Chair recognizes Councilman
17 Longstreth.

18 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Madam
19 President, I have no bills or resolutions.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
21 thanks the Councilman.

22 The Chair recognizes Councilman Rizzo.

23 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Madam President, I
24 have no bills or resolutions.

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

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3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: I believe one
4 report from the Rules Committee.

5 The Chair recognizes Councilman Kenney
6 for a report on from the Rules Committee.

7 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Madam President,
8 the Rules Committee reports one bill out with a
9 favorable recommendation.

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Clerk
11 will please read the report.

12 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: To the President
13 and Members of the City Council of the City of
14 Philadelphia: The Committee on Rules, to which
15 was referred Bill No. 000105, entitled "An
16 ordinance approving the redevelopment proposal of
17 the Redevelopment Authority of the City of
18 Philadelphia for the redevelopment of a portion of
19 Parkside National Registered Historical District
20 Redevelopment Area, Parkside National Registered
21 Historical District Urban Renewal Area, being the
22 area generally bounded by Parkside Avenue and
23 Girard Avenue on the north, Conrail freight
24 railroad line running east and parallel to the
25 38th Street on the east."

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
3 recognizes Councilman Kenney.

4 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Madam Chair, I move
5 that the rules of Council be suspended so as to
6 permit first reading of Bill No. 105 today.

7 (Duly seconded.)

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It has been
9 moved and properly seconded that the rules of
10 Council be suspended so as to permit first reading
11 of Bill No. 105 on today's calendar.

12 All those in favor will signify by
13 saying aye.

14 Those opposed?

15 The ayes have it and the motion is
16 carried. And this bill will be placed on our
17 first-reading calendar for today's session.

18 Are there any other reports from
19 committees?

20 (No response.)

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Seeing
22 none. . .

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24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The next
25 order of business is the consideration of the

1 FIRST-READING CALENDAR

2 calendar. The Clerk will please read the bills on
3 the first-reading calendar.

4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Bill No. 000105,
5 an ordinance approving the redevelopment proposal
6 of the Redevelopment Authority of the City of
7 Philadelphia for the redevelopment of a portion of
8 the Parkside National Registered Historical
9 District Redevelopment Area, Parkside National
10 Registered Historical District Urban Renewal Area.

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
12 agrees. The bill read by the Clerk will be placed
13 on the second-reading and final-passage calendar
14 for our next meeting.

15 I believe that is the only bill to be
16 considered on the first-reading calendar.

17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Yes, Madam
18 President.

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: So this
20 concludes the bills on our second-reading
21 calendar.

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23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
24 recognizes Councilwoman Blackwell for the purpose
25 of calling up bills on second-reading and

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2 final-passage calendar.

3 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,
4 Madam President. Today Bills No. 000003 through
5 000010 are called up for second reading and final
6 passage.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: I'm sorry,
8 Councilwoman. I did not hear your remarks.

9 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you. .
10 Madam President, today Bill No. 000003 through
11 000010 are called up for second reading and final
12 passage.

13 I'm sorry, Madam President, I have the
14 wrong -- my script is incorrect. Today all bills
15 are being called up for second reading and final
16 passage.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

18 The first bill to be called for
19 consideration is Bill No. 000003. The Clerk will
20 please read the title of the bill.

21 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance to
22 adopt a Capital Program for the six fiscal years
23 2001 through 2006, inclusive.

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: This bill
25 having been read on two different days, the

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000006
2 question now is, shall the bill pass finally?
3 The Clerk will pleas call the roll.
4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
5 Blackwell?
6 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.
7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Clarke?
8 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.
9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Cohen?
10 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.
11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
12 DiCicco?
13 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.
14 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Goode?
15 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
16 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
17 Kenney?
18 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
19 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
20 Krajewski?
21 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
23 Longstreth?
24 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000006
2 Mariano?
3 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
5 Miller?
6 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
8 Nutter?
9 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
10 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
11 O'Neill?
12 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz?
14 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.
15 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
16 Reynolds-Brown?
17 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS-BROWN: Aye.
18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
19 Tasco?
20 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
21 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Council President
22 Verna?
23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
24 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A
25 majority of all Members of Council having voted in

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000004

2 the affirmative, the bill passes.

3 Councilman Rizzo, do you want to be
4 recognized?

5 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Madam President, I
6 don't believe my name was called on the roll, and
7 I'd like to be recorded as voting aye on that.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Okay. The
9 next bill to be called for consideration is Bill
10 No. 000004.

11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Bill No. 00004, an
12 ordinance to adopt a Fiscal 2001 Capital Budget.

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

16 The Clerk will please call the roll.

17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
18 Blackwell?

19 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Clarke?

21 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Cohen?

23 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

24 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
25 DiCicco?

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000004
2 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.
3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Goode?
4 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
5 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
6 Kenney?
7 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
9 Krajewski?
10 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
12 Longstreth?
13 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
14 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
15 Mariano?
16 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
18 Miller?
19 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
21 Nutter?
22 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
23 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
24 O'Neill?
25 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000004

2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz?

3 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.

4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

5 Reynolds-Brown?

6 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS-BROWN: Aye.

7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Rizzo?

8 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

10 Tasco?

11 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

12 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Council President

13 Verna?

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

15 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A

16 majority of all Members having voted in the

17 affirmative, the bill passes.

18 The next bill to be called for

19 consideration is Bill No. 000005.

20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance to

21 adopt the Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2001.

22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: I'm sorry,

23 Councilman Cohen, your light is on. Would you

24 like to be recognized?

25 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Yes, on this bill.

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000005

2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: On this
3 bill?

4 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Yes. Just to note
5 that the appearance of completion of the Operating
6 Budget may not, in fact, be a reality. There are
7 a number of matters that different members of City
8 Council have had under discussion at various
9 times, and we all agreed that we ought to adopt a
10 budget and later on, we may deal with a number of
11 these items.

12 They include: The issues of school
13 tokens, a question of seniors at work, the bus
14 attendants on the school buses, the question of
15 fences that are needed desperately in parts of the
16 City, the question of public access, and the
17 question of crossing guards. All of these are
18 matters still being considered by various members
19 of Council and may require action on the current
20 budget bill, or Bill No. 2001, which is this
21 operating budget.

22 Thank you, Madam President.

23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: You're
24 welcome.

25 The Clerk will call the roll.

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000005
2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
3 Blackwell?
4 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.
5 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Clarke?
6 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.
7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Cohen?
8 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.
9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
10 DiCicco?
11 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.
12 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Goode?
13 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
14 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
15 Kenney?
16 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
18 Krajewski?
19 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
21 Longstreth?
22 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
23 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
24 Mariano?
25 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000005
2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
3 Miller?
4 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
5 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
6 Nutter?
7 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
9 O'Neill?
10 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz?
12 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.
13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
14 Reynolds-Brown?
15 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS-BROWN: Aye.
16 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Rizzo?
17 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
19 Tasco?
20 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
21 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Council President
22 Verna?
23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
24 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A
25 majority of all Members having voted in the

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000006

2 affirmative, the bill passes.

3 The next bill to be called for
4 consideration is Bill No. 000006.

5 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
6 amending Chapter 19-1500 of the Philadelphia Code,
7 entitled "Wage and Net Profits Tax," by decreasing
8 the rate of the tax.

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

12 The Clerk will call the roll.

13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
14 Blackwell?

15 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

16 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Clarke?

17 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Cohen?

19 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
21 DiCicco?

22 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

23 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Goode?

24 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000006
2 Kenney?
3 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
5 Krajewski?
6 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
8 Longstreth?
9 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
10 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
11 Mariano?
12 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
14 Miller?
15 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
16 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
17 Nutter?
18 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
19 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
20 O'Neill?
21 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz?
23 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.
24 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
25 Reynolds-Brown?

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000006

2 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS-BROWN: Aye.

3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Rizzo?

4 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

5 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

6 Tasco?

7 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Council President

9 Verna?

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

11 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A
12 majority of all Members of Council have voted in
13 the affirmative, the bill passes.

14 The next bill to be called the for
15 consideration is Bill No. 000007.

16 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
17 amending Chapter 19-1800 of the Philadelphia Code,
18 entitled "School Tax Authorization," by amending
19 Section 19-1801 to further authorize the Board of
20 Education of the School District of Philadelphia
21 to impose a tax on real estate within the City of
22 Philadelphia.

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

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000007
2 The Clerk will call the roll.
3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
4 Blackwell?
5 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.
6 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Clarke?
7 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.
8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Cohen?
9 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.
10 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
11 DiCicco?
12 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.
13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Goode?
14 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
15 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
16 Kenney?
17 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
19 Krajewski?
20 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
21 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
22 Longstreth?
23 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
24 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
25 Mariano?

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000007
2 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
4 Miller?
5 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
6 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
7 Nutter?
8 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
10 O'Neill?
11 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
12 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz?
13 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.
14 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
15 Reynolds-Brown?
16 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS-BROWN: Aye.
17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Rizzo?
18 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
19 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
20 Tasco?
21 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Council President
23 Verna?
24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
25 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000008

2 majority of all Members of Council having voted in
3 the affirmative, the bill passes.

4 Bill No. 000008 is next.

5 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
6 amending Chapter 19-1800 of the Philadelphia Code,
7 entitled "School Tax Authorization," by amending
8 Section 19-1806 to further authorize the Board of
9 Education of the School District of Philadelphia
10 to impose tax on the use or occupancy of real
11 estate within the School District of Philadelphia.

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

15 The Clerk will call the roll.

16 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
17 Blackwell?

18 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

19 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Clarke?

20 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

21 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Cohen?

22 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

23 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman

24 DiCicco?

25 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000008
2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Goode?
3 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
5 Kenney?
6 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
8 Krajewski?
9 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
10 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
11 Longstreth?
12 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
14 Mariano?
15 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
16 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
17 Miller?
18 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
19 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
20 Nutter?
21 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
23 O'Neill?
24 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz?

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000008

2 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.

3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
4 Reynolds-Brown?

5 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS-BROWN: Aye.

6 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Rizzo?

7 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
9 Tasco?

10 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Council President
12 Verna?

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

14 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A
15 majority of all Members of Council having voted in
16 the affirmative, the bill passes.

17 The next bill to be called for
18 consideration is Bill No. 000009.

19 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
20 amending Chapter 19-1800 of the Philadelphia Code,
21 entitled "School Tax Authorization," by amending
22 Section 19-1804 to further authorize the Board of
23 Education of the School District of Philadelphia
24 to impose a tax on net income from real property
25 and tangible and intangible personal property of

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000009

2 the residents of the School District of the
3 Philadelphia.

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

7 The Clerk will call the roll.

8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
9 Blackwell?

10 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Clarke?

12 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Cohen?

14 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

15 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
16 DiCicco?

17 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Goode?

19 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
21 Kenney?

22 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

23 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

24 Krajewski?

25 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000009
2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
3 Longstreth?
4 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
5 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
6 Mariano?
7 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
9 Miller?
10 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
12 Nutter?
13 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
14 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
15 O'Neill?
16 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz?
18 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.
19 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
20 Reynolds-Brown?
21 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS-BROWN: Aye.
22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Rizzo?
23 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
24 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
25 Tasco?

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000009

2 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: Aye.

3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Council President
4 Verna?

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

6 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A
7 majority of all members of Council having voted in
8 the affirmative, the bill passes.

9 Councilman Kenney, do you wish to be
10 recognized?

11 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: I want to be
12 recorded as voting aye on all the votes taken
13 while I was out of the chamber.

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The record
15 will so reflect that.

16 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you.

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: The next bill
18 to be called for consideration is Bill No. 000010.

19 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
20 amending Chapter 19-2600 of the Philadelphia Code,
21 entitled "Business Privilege Taxes" by decreasing
22 the rates of the tax based upon gross receipts.

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

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000010
2 The Clerk will please call the roll.
3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
4 Blackwell?
5 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.
6 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Clarke?
7 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.
8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Cohen?
9 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.
10 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
11 DiCicco?
12 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.
13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Goode?
14 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
15 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
16 Kenney?
17 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
19 Krajewski?
20 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
21 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
22 Longstreth?
23 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
24 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
25 Mariano?

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000010
2 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
4 Miller?
5 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
6 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
7 Nutter?
8 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
10 O'Neill?
11 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
12 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz?
13 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.
14 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
15 Reynolds-Brown?
16 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS-BROWN: Aye.
17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Rizzo?
18 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
19 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
20 Tasco?
21 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Council President
23 Verna?
24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
25 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000015

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

4 The next bill to be called for
5 consideration is Bill No. 000015.

6 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
7 amending Section 19-203 of the Philadelphia Code,
8 entitled "Payroll Deductions," by adding a new
9 provision to allow for payroll deductions by
10 Philadelphia firefighters for insurance premiums
11 paid to the Hartford Life Insurance Company.

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

15 The bill will call the roll.

16 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
17 Blackwell?

18 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

19 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Clarke?

20 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

21 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Cohen?

22 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

23 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman

24 DiCicco?

25 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000015
2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Goode?
3 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
5 Kenney?
6 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
8 Krajewski?
9 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
10 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
11 Longstreth?
12 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
14 Mariano?
15 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
16 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
17 Miller?
18 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
19 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
20 Nutter?
21 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
23 O'Neill?
24 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz?

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000015

2 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.

3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
4 Reynolds-Brown?

5 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS-BROWN: Aye.

6 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Rizzo?

7 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
9 Tasco?

10 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Council President
12 Verna?

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

14 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A
15 majority of all members of City Council having
16 voted in the affirmative, the bill passes.

17 The next bill to be called for
18 consideration is Bill No. 000122.

19 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
20 amending Title 22 of the Philadelphia Code,
21 entitled "Public Employees Retirement Code," by
22 amending Section 22-1303, entitled "Exemptions
23 From Attachment," to add the German-American
24 Police Association to the list of designated
25 payees to whom a member may direct the deduction

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000122

2 from benefit payments, all under certain terms and
3 conditions.

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

7 The Clerk will please call the roll.

8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
9 Blackwell?

10 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Clarke?

12 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Cohen?

14 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

15 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
16 DiCicco?

17 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Goode?

19 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
21 Kenney?

22 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

23 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

24 Krajewski?

25 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000122
2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
3 Longstreth?
4 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
5 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
6 Mariano?
7 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
9 Miller?
10 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
12 Nutter?
13 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
14 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
15 O'Neill?
16 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz?
18 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.
19 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
20 Reynolds-Brown?
21 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS-BROWN: Aye.
22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Rizzo?
23 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
24 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
25 Tasco?

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000012

2 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: Aye.

3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Council President
4 Verna?

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

6 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A
7 majority of all Members of Council having voted in
8 the affirmative, the bill passes.

9 The next bill to be called for
10 consideration is Bill No. Number 000012.

11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
12 authorizing transfers in appropriations for Fiscal
13 Year 2000 within the Grants Revenue Fund from the
14 Director of Finance - Provision for Other Grants
15 to the Police Department, the Department of Human
16 Services, Office of Emergency Shelter and
17 Services, and the Board of Trustees of the Free
18 Library of Philadelphia.

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

22 The Clerk will please call the roll.

23 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
24 Blackwell?

25 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000012
2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Clarke?
3 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.
4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Cohen?
5 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.
6 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
7 DiCicco?
8 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.
9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Goode?
10 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
12 Kenney?
13 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
14 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
15 Krajewski?
16 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
18 Longstreth?
19 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
21 Mariano?
22 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
23 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
24 Miller?
25 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000012
2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
3 Nutter?
4 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
5 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
6 O'Neill?
7 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz?
9 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.
10 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
11 Reynolds-Brown?
12 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS-BROWN: Aye.
13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Rizzo?
14 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
15 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
16 Tasco?
17 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Council President
19 Verna?
20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
21 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A
22 majority of all Members of Council having voted in
23 the affirmative, the bill passes.
24 The next bill to be called for
25 consideration is Bill No. Number 000013.

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000013

2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
3 authorizing transfers in appropriations for Fiscal
4 Year 2000 within the General Fund from certain or
5 all City offices, departments, boards, and
6 commissions to certain or all City offices,
7 departments, boards, and commissions.

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

11 The Clerk will call the roll.

12 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Madam President?

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Yes,
14 Councilman Nutter?

15 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Thank you, Madam
16 President.

17 Before the calling of the roll, I
18 wanted to place on the record with respect to this
19 particular bill -- some of my colleagues will
20 recall in last week's Appropriations Committee
21 hearing, this bill was the subject of discussion
22 as it is a transfer ordinance for Fiscal Year
23 2000, the current fiscal year that we are
24 presently operating in.

25 The issue last week had to do with a

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000013

2 proposed transfer of funds to the Department of
3 Licenses and Inspections to deal with some ongoing
4 fencing problems or requests here in the City.
5 The amendment on that particular bill failed.
6 There was some discussion about the prospect of
7 amending this particular bill to still try to
8 address that particular issue.

9 I have chosen not to do that, Madam
10 President. There are items -- funding sources
11 that are being transferred in this particular bill
12 that need to take place, and they need to take
13 place today, one of which was the topic of much
14 discussion here in the City regarding funding for
15 hepatitis C issues involving our firefighters. I
16 will not use this particular device or mechanism
17 to address that particular issue because that
18 issue is much too important.

19 I will say, though, Madam President,
20 that I had an opportunity to talk to the Mayor's
21 Chief-of-Staff and the Mayor this morning. The
22 Mayor assures me that to the greatest extent
23 possible, the Administration would like to address
24 fencing problems, and I will have -- and other
25 Members, I know, will have discussions with the

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000013

2 Administration about those concerns presently,
3 notwithstanding the Administration's proposal to
4 have a future program to deal with the much larger
5 issue of blight.

6 The issue that I've raised is somewhere
7 between now and that program, people have needs
8 and people have concerns. And whether it's the
9 lady that I talked about in my district or many
10 other districts throughout this city, these are
11 serious issues where the City has demolished a
12 property, they've done the stucco work, walked
13 away, and we leave many citizens with a problem.
14 In the particular case that I articulated last
15 week, that citizen could not wait for the City and
16 had to go and hire their own contractor to put a
17 fence on a lot that they do not own, which is next
18 door to their property, and they now have a bill
19 which they have to pay because of work that was
20 left undone, in my opinion, by the City of
21 Philadelphia.

22 It is not fair to that lady, it is not
23 fair to anyone to have to pick up a financial
24 responsibility as a result of work that we have
25 done and leave them in potentially a more

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000013

2 dangerous situation between the trash, the debris,
3 abandoned cars, drug addicts and junkies and
4 everyone else that hang out in these vacant lots
5 next to someone's house.

6 So I will continue the discussions and
7 I encourage other Members to do so with regard to
8 the Administration. We look forward to the blight
9 elimination program in the future, but we need
10 some program now.

11 Thank you Madam President.

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

13 The Chair recognizes Councilman Kenney.

14 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you, Madam
15 President. I have to leave the chamber and would
16 like to be recorded as voting aye on all bills and
17 resolutions before us today.

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

19 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Clerk
21 will please call the roll.

22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
23 Blackwell?

24 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Clarke?

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000013
2 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.
3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Cohen?
4 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.
5 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
6 DiCicco?
7 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.
8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney
9 is voting aye.
10 Councilwoman Krajewski?
11 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
12 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
13 Longstreth?
14 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
15 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
16 Mariano?
17 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
19 Miller?
20 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
21 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
22 Nutter?
23 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
24 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
25 O'Neill?

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000013

2 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.

3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz?

4 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.

5 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

6 Reynolds-Brown?

7 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS-BROWN: Aye.

8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Rizzo?

9 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

10 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

11 Tasco?

12 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Council President

14 Verna?

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

16 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A

17 majority of all Members having voted in the

18 affirmative, the bill passes.

19 The next bill to be called for

20 consideration is Bill No. 000117.

21 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance

22 amending Section 2 of an ordinance (Bill No.

23 980617) approved December 15, 1998, entitled "An

24 ordinance authorizing the revision of lines and

25 grades on a portion of City Plan No. 295 by

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000017

2 striking from the City Plan and vacating Codorus
3 Road from Hendren Street to Spring Lane."

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Councilman
5 Goode, do you care to be recognized?

6 COUNCILMAN GOODE: I would like to be
7 recorded as voting aye on Bill No. 000013.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

9 This bill, Bill No. 000117, having been
10 read on two different days, the question now is,
11 shall the bill pass finally?

12 The Clerk will please call the roll.

13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
14 Blackwell?

15 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

16 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Clarke?

17 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Cohen?

19 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
21 DiCicco?

22 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

23 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Goode?

24 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.

25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000017
2 is voting aye.
3 Councilwoman Krajewski?
4 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
5 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
6 Longstreth?
7 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
9 Mariano?
10 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
12 Miller?
13 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
14 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
15 Nutter?
16 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
18 O'Neill?
19 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz?
21 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.
22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
23 Reynolds-Brown?
24 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS-BROWN: Aye.
25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Rizzo?

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000017

2 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

4 Tasco?

5 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

6 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Council President

7 Verna?

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

9 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0 a
10 majority of all Members of Council having voted in
11 the affirmative, the bill passes.

12 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A
13 majority of all members of Council having voted in
14 the affirmative, the bill passes.

15 The next bill to be called for
16 consideration is Bill No. 000118.

17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
18 amending Section 2 of an ordinance (Bill No.
19 980803) approved January 5, 1999 entitled, "An
20 ordinance authorizing the revision of lines and
21 grades on a portion of City Plan No. 27-S by
22 striking from the City Plan and vacating the
23 legally open portion of Dilworth Street."

24 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: This bill
25 having been read on two different occasions, the

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000018
2 question now is, shall the bill pass finally.
3 The Clerk will please call the roll.
4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
5 Blackwell?
6 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.
7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Clarke?
8 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.
9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Cohen?
10 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.
11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
12 DiCicco?
13 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.
14 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Goode?
15 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
16 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney
17 is voting aye.
18 Councilwoman Krajewski?
19 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
21 Longstreth?
22 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
23 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
24 Mariano?
25 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000018
2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
3 Miller?
4 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
5 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
6 Nutter?
7 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
9 O'Neill?
10 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz?
12 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.
13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
14 Reynolds-Brown?
15 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS-BROWN: Aye.
16 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Rizzo?
17 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
19 Tasco?
20 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
21 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Council President
22 Verna?
23 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
24 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A
25 majority of all Members of Council having voted in

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000019

2 the affirmative, the bill passes.

3 The next bill to be called for
4 consideration is Bill No. 000119.

5 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
6 amending Section 2 of an ordinance (Bill No.
7 950316) approved July 24, 1995, entitled, "An
8 ordinance authorizing the striking from City Plan
9 No. 58 and vacating Shamokin Street from Eleventh
10 Street to Ridge Avenue."

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

14 The Clerk will call the roll.

15 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
16 Blackwell?

17 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Clarke?

19 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Cohen?

21 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
23 DiCicco?

24 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Goode?

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000019
2 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney
4 is voting aye.
5 Councilwoman Krajewski?
6 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
8 Longstreth?
9 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
10 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
11 Mariano?
12 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
14 Miller?
15 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
16 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
17 Nutter?
18 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
19 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
20 O'Neill?
21 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz?
23 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.
24 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
25 Reynolds-Brown?

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000019

2 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS-BROWN: Aye.

3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Rizzo?

4 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

5 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

6 Tasco?

7 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Council President

9 Verna?

10 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

11 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A
12 majority of all Members of Council having voted in
13 the affirmative, the bill passes.

14 The last bill to be called for
15 consideration is Bill No. 000120.

16 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
17 amending Section 2 of an ordinance (Bill No.
18 980897) approved January 5, 1999, entitled, "An
19 ordinance authorizing the revision of lines and
20 grades on a portion of City Plan No. 307 by
21 relocating a portion of the northerly curbline of
22 Clover Street."

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

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000120
2 The Clerk will please call the roll.
3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
4 Blackwell?
5 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.
6 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Clarke?
7 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.
8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Cohen?
9 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.
10 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
11 DiCicco?
12 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.
13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Goode?
14 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
15 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney
16 is voting aye.
17 Councilwoman Krajewski?
18 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
19 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
20 Longstreth?
21 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
23 Mariano?
24 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

1 SECOND READING - BILL 000120
2 Miller?
3 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
5 Nutter?
6 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
8 O'Neill?
9 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
10 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz?
11 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.
12 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
13 Reynolds-Brown?
14 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS-BROWN: Aye.
15 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Rizzo?
16 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
18 Tasco?
19 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.
20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Council President
21 Verna?
22 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.
23 The ayes are 17, the nays are 0. A
24 majority of all members of Council having voted in
25 the affirmative, the bill passes.

1 INTRODUCTION - RES. 000002

2 Resolution No. 000002 will be read and
3 voted on today.

4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Resolution No.
5 000002, a resolution providing for the approval of
6 the Council of the City of Philadelphia of a
7 revised Five-Year Financial Plan for the City of
8 Philadelphia covering Fiscal Years 2001 through
9 2005, and incorporating proposed changes with
10 respect to Fiscal Year 2000, which is to be
11 submitted by the Mayor to the Pennsylvania
12 Intergovernmental Cooperation Authority.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

14 The Chair recognizes Councilman Cohen.

15 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Thank you, Madam
16 President.

17 Resolution 2, which deals with the
18 Five-Year Plan, continues to include reference to
19 the Economic Stimulus Fund. And while I'm going
20 to vote for the resolution because it's important
21 to meet the time requirements of PICA, I want to
22 point out several things that I think are very
23 important.

24 One is that although PICA itself has
25 gone along year after year approving this

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2 Five-Year Plan of the City's, which contains
3 references of the Economic Stimulus Fund, the PICA
4 issued several days ago a report putting it to
5 question what has come from the Economic Stimulus
6 Fund, what has happened to the more than \$1
7 billion that the Rendell Administration over the
8 eight years invested in this so-called Economic
9 Stimulus Fund? What has been accomplished?

10 PICA's report indicates that there is
11 serious doubt as to whether the Economic Stimulus
12 Fund accomplished very much, and certainly nothing
13 like a billion dollars investment would have
14 called for.

15 In view of that -- and incidently, what
16 is so strange is, we've been spending in the
17 Council formally and informally much time about
18 the needs of firefighters in connection with
19 hepatitis C, and the City Administration has been
20 going very slowly, very carefully over the items
21 needed by the firefighters for their health, even
22 to the extent of separating a \$150,000 payment
23 from a balance of the \$3 million promise by Mayor
24 Street some time ago. And the City has been so
25 very, very careful, demanding documentation,

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2 demanding proof of every penny spent.

3 And one wonders how a government can be
4 so careful, watching every single penny apparently
5 spent for the care for the firefighters on the one
6 hand, yet so easily and quickly spend more than a
7 billion dollars of City funds from the Economic
8 Stimulus Program without anybody being able to
9 find much evidence of whatever that billion
10 dollars investment is supposed to have produced.

11 So, therefore, I'm going to be
12 reintroducing in this session a resolution that I
13 had introduced before -- it will be updated --
14 dealing with and calling for a full hearing and an
15 attempt to determine what in fact has been
16 accomplished by the Economic Stimulus Fund, what
17 is the scope of the jobs produced and the
18 businesses brought back into the City. Because,
19 certainly, it's very urgent for us to find out
20 what happened to that \$1 billion and what evidence
21 exists today of any accomplishments from that
22 program.

23 So I just wanted to note that because
24 the current program of the City still includes
25 reference to continuing this great Economic

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2 Stimulus Fund. Let's find out what it's all
3 about.

4 Thank you, Madam President.

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you,
6 Councilman Cohen.

7 The Chair recognizes Councilman Ortiz.

8 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Thank you, Madam
9 President.

10 Councilman Cohen just gave a speech
11 that I was going to give after we finish our
12 business. But as an addendum to what he said,
13 PICA I think pointed out the high cost per job
14 that we're investing and also pointed out the lack
15 of factual information about how the money is
16 spent, different from what other cities have
17 done. And as the Daily News story pointed out the
18 other day, there are other cities that have spent
19 money in developing their inner core, their center
20 cities with taxpayers' money. But in those other
21 cities, the accountability for each dollar spent
22 is very clearly made and very clearly
23 substantiated.

24 What is absent in the last eight years
25 and what is absent in our spending of the money is

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2 the substantiation for the expenditure that we are
3 making, and we just seem to be giving monies to
4 developers without questioning the end result of
5 all of that money, what is that money bringing us
6 to the City and to the taxpayers.

7 So that's a small addendum, and I
8 concur with Councilman Cohen, and I think we
9 should question much more closely any more monies,
10 any taxpayers' money that we continue to give
11 developers to spend without asking for any
12 accountability.

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank you.

14 The Clerk will please call the roll.

15 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
16 Blackwell?

17 (Councilwoman Blackwell not present at
18 this time.).

19 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Clarke?

20 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Aye.

21 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Cohen?

22 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

23 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
24 DiCicco?

25 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Aye.

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2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Goode?
3 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Aye.
4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney
5 is voting aye.
6 Councilwoman Krajewski?
7 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
9 Longstreth?
10 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Aye.
11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
12 Mariano?
13 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
14 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
15 Miller?
16 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Aye.
17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
18 Nutter?
19 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
21 O'Neill?
22 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Aye.
23 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz?
24 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Aye.
25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

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2 Reynolds-Brown?

3 COUNCILWOMAN REYNOLDS-BROWN: Aye.

4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Rizzo?

5 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

6 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

7 Tasco?

8 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Aye.

9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Council President

10 Verna?

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Aye.

12 The ayes are 16, the nays are 0. A

13 majority of Council having voted in the

14 affirmative the resolution passes.

15 This concludes the calendar.

16 - - -

17 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Are there any

18 speeches on the part of the Minority?

19 (No speeches on the part of the

20 Minority.)

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Are there any

22 speeches on the part of the Majority?

23 The Chair recognizes Councilman

24 DiCicco.

25 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Tomorrow the City

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2 Council blood drive take place in chambers at 10
3 a.m. tomorrow.

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you.

5 The Chair recognizes Councilman Goode.

6 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you, Madam
7 President.

8 As co-chair of the Freshman Caucus, I'd
9 like to congratulate the Mayor in the passage of
10 his first budget and am looking forward to more
11 budget hearings. In view of the community
12 development block grant hearings coming up, I
13 would like to announce the release of my second
14 policy paper next week on community development
15 block grant studies, a ten-year study also
16 comparing spending in ten different cities, and
17 one of the major findings of that study is that
18 there are community economic development dollars
19 that are purposely not being spent by PIDC.

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you
21 very much.

22 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
23 Blackwell.

24 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you,
25 Madam President, I'd like to be recorded as voting

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2 aye on this the last vote.

3 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: On Resolution
4 No. 2?

5 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: On resolution
6 No. 2.

7 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The record
8 will reflect you vote in the affirmative.

9 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you.
10 And may I also, while I have the mike, thank you
11 for your leadership. We love this female power,
12 and we appreciate the leadership that you have
13 shown to bring us to this point closure on the
14 budget and we applaud you and we thank you.

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: Thank you
16 very much, thank you.

17 (Applause.)

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19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: The Chair
20 recognizes Councilwoman Tasco for a motion.

21 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Thank you, Madam
22 President. I move that Council be adjourned until
23 Thursday, April 13, 2000.

24 (Duly seconded.)

25 COUNCIL PRESIDENT Verna: It has been

1 ADJOURNMENT

2 moved and seconded that Council stand adjourned
3 until Thursday, April 13th, at 10 a.m.

4 All in favor will signify by saying
5 aye.

6 Those opposed?

7 The ayes have it, and the motion is
8 carried.

9 Thank you all very much.

10 (Adjourned at 12:06 p.m.)

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C E R T I F I C A T E

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing
proceedings of the Council of the City of
Philadelphia of Thursday, March 30, 2000, were
reported fully and accurately by me, and that this
is a correct transcript of same.

RE: STATED MEETING

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JOSEPHINE CARDILLO,
Registered Professional Reporter