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Thursday, April 4, 2024

PRESENT: 17 - Councilmembers Bass, Brooks, Driscoll, Gauthier, Gilmore Richardson, Harrity, Jones, Lozada, O'Neill, Phillips, Squilla, Thomas, Ahmad, Landau, O'Rourke, Young and Council President Johnson

Council met, a quorum being present.

COUNCILMEMBER BASS MOVED TO APPROVE THE JOURNAL

of the meeting of March 21, 2024

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Sergeant-at-Arms presented messages from the Mayor as follows:

Transmitting a message advising you pursuant to Sections 4-604 and 2-307 of the Home Rule Charter, I am today transmitting to the Council the recommendation of the City Planning Commission on the following bills:

Bill Number 240020 - *Not for approval*

Bill Number 240058 - *Not for approval*

Bill Number 240119

Bill Number 240121

Bill Number 240122

Bill Number 240159

Bill Number 240177

Bill Number 240178

(File No. 240268)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ AND FILED.

Transmitting a Resolution confirming the reappointment of Reginald Streater to the Board of Education of the School District of Philadelphia. (File No. 240269)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ AND FILED.

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Transmitting a Resolution confirming the reappointment of Sarah-Ashley Andrews to the Board of Education of the School District of Philadelphia. (File No. 240270)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ AND FILED.

Transmitting a Resolution confirming the reappointment of Chau Wing Lam to the Board of Education of the School District of Philadelphia. (File No. 240271)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ AND FILED.

Transmitting a Resolution confirming the reappointment of Joyce Wilkerson to the Board of Education of the School District of Philadelphia. (File No. 240272)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ AND FILED.

Transmitting a Resolution confirming the appointment of Crystal Cabbage to the Board of Education of the School District of Philadelphia. (File No. 240273)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ AND FILED.

Transmitting a Resolution confirming the appointment of Wanda Novales to the Board of Education of the School District of Philadelphia. (File No. 240274)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ AND FILED.

Transmitting a Resolution confirming the appointment of Cheryl Harper to the Board of Education of the School District of Philadelphia. (File No. 240275)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ AND FILED.

Transmitting a Resolution confirming the appointment of Whitney Jones to the Board of Education of the School District of Philadelphia. (File No. 240276)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ AND FILED.

Transmitting a Resolution confirming the appointment of Joan Stern to the Board of Education of the School District of Philadelphia. (File No. 240277)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ AND FILED.

Transmitting a message advising you that on April 03, 2024, I signed the following bills, which were passed by Council at its session on March 14, 2024:

Bill No. 240014

Bill No. 240016 (File No. 240278)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ AND FILED.

Transmitting a message advising you that on April 03, 2024, I signed the following bills, which were passed by Council at its session on March 21, 2024:

Bill No. 240010-A

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Bill No. 240008
Bill No. 240009
Bill No. 240011
Bill No. 240089-A
Bill No. 240013-A (File No. 240279)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ AND FILED.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Councilmember Phillips Introduced and Ordered Placed On Next Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Phillips:

Resolution No. 240251: Resolution Authorizing the creation of a task force to study and develop proposals, strategies, and recommendations to enhance parental/guardian engagement, oversight, accountability, and resources within the City of Philadelphia.

Councilmember Gilmore Richardson Introduced and Referred the following Bill for Council President Johnson, Sponsored by Councilmember Gilmore Richardson:

Bill No. 240239: An Ordinance Authorizing encroachments in the nature of a sidewalk café in the vicinity of 2201 Christian Street, Philadelphia, PA 19146 (“Property”), under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON STREETS AND SERVICES.

Councilmember Gilmore Richardson Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution for Council President Johnson, Sponsored by Councilmembers Gilmore Richardson, O'Neill, Squilla, Ahmad, Bass, Phillips, Landau, Lozada, Driscoll, Jones, Thomas, Gauthier, O'Rourke, Harrity and Young:

Resolution No. 240252: Resolution Honoring Philadelphia 76ers’ Hall of Famer Allen Iverson for his trailblazing career in the National Basketball Association and recognizing AI as a Philadelphia Basketball Living Legend.

Councilmember Gilmore Richardson Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Gilmore Richardson:

Resolution No. 240253: Resolution Recognizing and supporting the health and wellness of Black mamas and birthing people by acknowledging April 11 - 17, 2024, as “Black Maternal Health Week” in the City of Philadelphia.

Councilmember Gauthier Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmembers Gauthier and Driscoll:

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Bill No. 240240: An Ordinance Amending Section 9-203 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Sidewalk Sales,” to revise and clarify certain provisions related to City parks and recreation facilities and make related technical changes, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON STREETS AND SERVICES.

Councilmember Thomas Introduced and Referred the following Resolution for Council President Johnson, Sponsored by Councilmember Thomas:

Resolution No. 240254: Resolution Confirming the appointment of Crystal Cubbage to the Board of Education of the School District of Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

Councilmember Thomas Introduced and Referred the following Resolution for Council President Johnson, Sponsored by Councilmember Thomas:

Resolution No. 240255: Resolution Confirming the reappointment of Sarah-Ashley Andrews to the Board of Education of the School District of Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

Councilmember Thomas Introduced and Referred the following Resolution for Council President Johnson, Sponsored by Councilmember Thomas:

Resolution No. 240256: Resolution Confirming the appointment of Joan Stern to the Board of Education of the School District of Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

Councilmember Thomas Introduced and Referred the following Resolution for Council President Johnson, Sponsored by Councilmember Thomas:

Resolution No. 240257: Resolution Confirming the reappointment of Reginald Streater to the Board of Education of the School District of Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

Councilmember Thomas Introduced and Referred the following Resolution for Council President Johnson, Sponsored by Councilmember Thomas:

Resolution No. 240258: Resolution Confirming the appointment of Wanda Novales to the Board of Education of the School District of Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

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Councilmember Thomas Introduced and Referred the following Resolution for Council President Johnson, Sponsored by Councilmember Thomas:

Resolution No. 240259: Resolution Confirming the appointment of Whitney Jones to the Board of Education of the School District of Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

Councilmember Thomas Introduced and Referred the following Resolution for Council President Johnson, Sponsored by Councilmember Thomas:

Resolution No. 240260: Resolution Confirming the reappointment of Chau Wing Lam to the Board of Education of the School District of Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

Councilmember Thomas Introduced and Referred the following Resolution for Council President Johnson, Sponsored by Councilmember Thomas:

Resolution No. 240261: Resolution Confirming the reappointment of Joyce Wilkerson to the Board of Education of the School District of Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

Councilmember Thomas Introduced and Referred the following Resolution for Council President Johnson, Sponsored by Councilmember Thomas:

Resolution No. 240262: Resolution Confirming the appointment of Cheryl Harper to the Board of Education of the School District of Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

Councilmember Thomas Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Thomas, Gilmore Richardson and Driscoll:

Resolution No. 240263: Resolution Honoring and congratulating the Champion of the Week, Evin Jarrett, the Lead Building Trades Instructor at Mayfair School, for his exemplary service expanding vocational training opportunities for Philadelphia's youth.

Councilmember Jones Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Jones:

Bill No. 240241: An Ordinance Amending Section 14-704 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Open Space and Natural Resources" by changing the applicability of steep slope protection requirements for certain stream restoration activities, all under certain

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terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

Councilmember Jones Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmembers Jones and Gilmore Richardson:

Bill No. 240242: An Ordinance Amending Section 14-500 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Overlay Zoning Districts,” by amending Section 14-524, entitled “/FDO, Fourth District Overlay District”, to establish use regulations on medical facilities, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

Councilmember Lozada Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Lozada:

Bill No. 240243: An Ordinance Authorizing an encroachment in the nature of a staircase in the vicinity of 1951 East Monmouth Street, Philadelphia, PA 19134, under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON STREETS AND SERVICES.

Councilmember Lozada Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Lozada:

Resolution No. 240264: Resolution Recognizing and honoring the staff of McPherson Square Library for their heroic efforts in building and maintaining safe spaces within one of the most vulnerable, but resilient, communities in the City of Philadelphia.

Councilmember Young Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Young:

Bill No. 240244: An Ordinance Amending Section 14-529 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “/VDO, Fifth District Overlay District” by removing the exemption from the landscaping standards in the Zoning Code, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

Councilmember Brooks Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmembers Brooks, Gauthier, O'Rourke, Landau, Thomas, Ahmad, Jones, Lozada, Harrity, Driscoll, Squilla and Bass:

Bill No. 240245: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 9-800 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Landlord and Tenant,” to modify requirements and authorizations related to the City’s residential eviction diversion program, including associated changes to the

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landlord and tenant relationship, and to make certain technical changes, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT AND THE HOMELESS.

Councilmember Brooks Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Brooks:

Resolution No. 240265: Resolution Recognizing April 2024 as Autism Acceptance & Awareness Month in the City of Philadelphia, and commending the work of HUNE - Hispanos Unidos Para Ninos Excepcionales - in supporting people living with autism as well as their families and loved ones.

Councilmember Harrity Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Harrity, Driscoll, Squilla and Lozada:

Resolution No. 240266: Resolution honoring Jim Ridgeway, member of the 24th District PDAC, whose lifelong residence in Harrowgate has inspired his community outreach and clean-up efforts.

Councilmember O'Rourke Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers O'Rourke and Landau:

Resolution No. 240267: Resolution Authorizing the Joint Committees on Housing, Neighborhood Development, and the Homeless and Licenses and Inspections to hold public hearings to examine the conditions of rental housing, rental code enforcement, and the need for rental repairs throughout the City of Philadelphia.

Councilmember Driscoll Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmembers Driscoll, Harrity, Squilla and Landau:

Bill No. 240246: An Ordinance Amending Title 19 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Finance, Taxes, and Collections," and Title 21 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Miscellaneous," by authorizing access to legal representation for certain owners of blighted and deteriorated dwellings and providing for tax forgiveness and exemptions for improvements to certain deteriorated areas and dwellings to incentivize the creation and improvement of affordable housing units, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Councilmember Driscoll Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Driscoll:

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Bill No. 240247-A: An Ordinance To amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Kensington Avenue, Buckius Street, Frankford Avenue, and Tioga Street.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

Councilmember Driscoll Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Driscoll:

Bill No. 240248: An Ordinance Amending Section 14-533 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “/MIN, Mixed Income Neighborhoods Overlay District,” to expand the applicable area in the vicinity of Buckius Street and Tioga Street all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

Councilmember Driscoll Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Driscoll:

Bill No. 240249: An Ordinance Amending Title 14 of the Philadelphia Code by amending Section 14-702, entitled “Floor Area, Height, and Dwelling Unit Density Bonuses” to amend provisions related to the Transit Improvements bonus and by making related changes, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

Councilmember Squilla Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Squilla:

Bill No. 240250: An Ordinance Authorizing the installation, ownership, and maintenance of various encroachments along the 700 Block of Sansom Street, Philadelphia, PA 19106, under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON STREETS AND SERVICES.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Bill No. 240176-A, as amended: An Ordinance Authorizing transfers in appropriations for Fiscal Year 2024 from the General Fund, certain or all City offices, departments, boards and commissions, and the Grants Revenue Fund, certain or all City offices, departments, boards and commissions, to the General Fund, certain or all City offices, departments, boards and commissions and to the Aviation Fund, certain

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or all City offices, departments, boards and commissions.

COUNCILMEMBER SQUILLA MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 240176-A, AS AMENDED.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

THE BILL WAS ORDERED PLACED ON THIS DAY'S FIRST READING CALENDAR.

Bill No. 240177, as amended: An Ordinance Amending Bill No. 230145, entitled "An Ordinance To adopt a Fiscal 2024 Capital Budget," by revising various appropriation amounts and totals, all under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER SQUILLA MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 240177, AS AMENDED.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

THE BILL WAS ORDERED PLACED ON THIS DAY'S FIRST READING CALENDAR.

Bill No. 240178, as amended: An Ordinance Amending Bill No. 230144, entitled "An Ordinance To adopt a Capital Program for the Six Fiscal Years 2024-2029 Inclusive," by revising various appropriation amounts and totals to conform to amendments to the FY2024 Capital Budget Ordinance, all under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER SQUILLA MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 240178, AS AMENDED.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

THE BILL WAS ORDERED PLACED ON THIS DAY'S FIRST READING CALENDAR.

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Bill No. 240088: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 9-2300 of The Philadelphia Code ("Protection of Displaced Contract Workers") to provide protections for service employees, including laid-off employees, all under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER SQUILLA MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 240088.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

THE BILL WAS ORDERED PLACED ON THIS DAY'S FIRST READING CALENDAR.

CONSIDERATION OF THE CALENDAR

BILLS ON FIRST READING

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Bill No. 240176-A, as amended: An Ordinance Authorizing transfers in appropriations for Fiscal Year 2024 from the General Fund, certain or all City offices, departments, boards and commissions, and the Grants Revenue Fund, certain or all City offices, departments, boards and commissions, to the General Fund, certain or all City offices, departments, boards and commissions and to the Aviation Fund, certain or all City offices, departments, boards and commissions.

THE BILL WAS READ AND ORDERED PLACED ON NEXT WEEK'S SECOND READING CALENDAR.

Bill No. 240177, as amended: An Ordinance Amending Bill No. 230145, entitled "An Ordinance To adopt a Fiscal 2024 Capital Budget," by revising various appropriation amounts and totals, all under certain terms and conditions.

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THE BILL WAS READ AND ORDERED PLACED ON NEXT WEEK'S SECOND READING CALENDAR.

Bill No. 240088: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 9-2300 of The Philadelphia Code ("Protection of Displaced Contract Workers") to provide protections for service employees, including laid-off employees, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ AND ORDERED PLACED ON NEXT WEEK'S SECOND READING CALENDAR.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Detoro Vargas for Autism Awareness, Paul Birdsong for Blueprint Communities, Marvin Robinson for rental code resolution, Mark Postell for Blueprint Communities, Kate Perez for ACP Act, Dr. Kate Wallis for Autism Awareness, Jamiel Owens for Autism Awareness, Cleopatra Robinson for Black Maternal Mortality, Saleemah McNeil for Black Maternal Mortality, and Tuesday Chalmers for McPherson Square

SEE NOTES OF TESTIMONY FROM STATED MEETING OF THURSDAY, APRIL 4, 2024.

Please note that this is an in-person meeting, and it is open to the public. This meeting may also be viewed on Xfinity Channel 64, Fios Channel 40 or <http://phlcouncil.com/watch-city-council/>

Public comment will be received in-person regarding those matters printed on the agenda on the following pages. Speakers interested in participating in public comment at this meeting may call 215-686-3406 by no later than 3 p.m. the day before the meeting and they must submit the following information:

- **Full name (including proper pronunciation and spelling)**
- **Identify the bill number or resolution number that will be addressed**
- **State whether you support or oppose that particular bill or resolution**
 - **Telephone number where you can be reached**

Speakers may also sign-up to participate in public comment on the day of the meeting in Room 400, City Hall. Speakers who submitted the above information within the required time frame will be added to the list. Speakers will have up to three minutes to speak; the Council President, however, reserves the right based on circumstances to establish a different time limit. The Council President may also limit testimony where repetitious comments are offered on an agenda item.

ORDER OF BUSINESS IN A COUNCIL SESSION

Note: Some items do not occur at every session:

Invocation.

Approval of the journal of the preceding meeting.

**Requests by Councilmembers for permission to be absent from
the session.**

Reading of communications from the Mayor.

**Introduction of bills and resolutions (to be referred to
appropriate Committees of Council).**

Reports from Committees of Council.

Special business.

Bills on first reading.

**Public comment on bills and resolutions on the Second
Reading and Final Passage Calendars - titles are printed below.**

**Bills that Council passed but that need to be returned by the
Mayor for reconsideration.**

**Consideration of bills and resolutions on the Second Reading
and Final Passage Calendars.**

Bills and resolutions on the Suspension Calendar.

Speeches by Councilmembers.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON FINAL PASSAGE

Councilmember Gauthier called up:

Resolution No. 240223: Resolution Approving the redevelopment contract of the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority for the redevelopment and urban renewal of a portion of the 44th and Aspen Urban Renewal Area, identified by house number and street address as 644-646 North Fortieth street, a portion of the Mantua Urban Renewal Area, identified by house numbers and street addresses as 827 North Fortieth street, 843 North Fortieth street, 847 North Fortieth street, 849 North Fortieth street, 851 North Fortieth street, 865 North Fortieth street and 867 North Fortieth street, and a portion of the Sarah Allen Urban Renewal Area, identified by house numbers and street addresses as 818 North Fortieth street and 830 North Fortieth street; and authorizing the Redevelopment Authority to execute the redevelopment contract with North 40th Street LP and to take such action as may be necessary to effectuate the redevelopment contract.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Landau called up:

Resolution No. 240227: Resolution Calling on President Biden and Congress to prioritize a permanent reauthorization and funding of the bipartisan Affordable Connectivity Program (“ACP”).

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Lozada called up:

Resolution No. 240229: Resolution Authorizing the participation of Philadelphia in the 2024 cohort of the Pennsylvania Blueprint Communities Program.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Young called up:

Resolution No. 240230: Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority deeds conveying

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fee simple title to 2903 Cecil B Moore Avenue, 2907 Cecil B Moore Avenue and 2925 Cecil B Moore Avenue in the Fifth Councilmanic District of the City of Philadelphia and further authorizing the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority to transfer to the Philadelphia Land Bank fee simple title to such properties pursuant to Section 16-405 of the Philadelphia Code.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

**BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON SECOND READING AND FINAL
PASSAGE**

Bill No. 240019: An Ordinance Adopting an Amendment to Section V of the Articles of Incorporation of the Philadelphia Authority for Industrial Development by increasing the Authority's term of existence to a date fifty years from the date of approval of Articles of Amendment by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Ayes: 17 Councilmembers Bass, Brooks, Driscoll, Gauthier, Gilmore Richardson, Harrity, Jones, Lozada, O'Neill, Phillips, Squilla, Thomas, Ahmad, Landau, O'Rourke, Young and Council President Johnson

Nays: 0

RESOLUTIONS

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Councilmember Lozada called up:

Resolution No. 240264: Resolution Recognizing and honoring the staff of McPherson Square Library for their heroic efforts in building and maintaining safe spaces within one of the most vulnerable, but resilient, communities in the City of Philadelphia.

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Resolution No. 240265: Resolution Recognizing April 2024 as Autism Acceptance & Awareness Month in the City of Philadelphia, and commending the work of HUNE - Hispanos Unidos Para Ninos Excepcionales - in supporting people living with autism as well as their families and loved ones.

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Councilmember Harrity called up:

Resolution No. 240266: Resolution honoring Jim Ridgeway, member of the 24th District PDAC, whose lifelong residence in Harrowgate has inspired his community outreach and clean-up efforts.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember O'Rourke called up:

Resolution No. 240267: Resolution Authorizing the Joint Committees on Housing, Neighborhood Development, and the Homeless and Licenses and Inspections to hold public hearings to examine the conditions of rental housing, rental code enforcement, and the need for rental repairs throughout the City of Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

SPEECHES

Councilmember Brooks, Councilmember O'Rourke, Councilmember Jones, Councilmember Gauthier, Councilmember Phillips, Councilmember Lozada, Councilmember Young, and Councilmember Landau

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