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**Thursday, January 22, 2015**

PRESENT: 17 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson, Blackwell, Jones, Henon, Quiñones Sánchez, Bass, Tasco, O'Neill, Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Oh, Kenney, Neilson and O'Brien

Council met, a quorum being present.

Reverend James A. Callahan of Christ The King Catholic Church was introduced and offered an appropriate prayer.

COUNCILMEMBER GREENLEE MOVED TO APPROVE THE JOURNAL

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

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

- Transmitting a message advising Council that Bill No. 140830, which was passed by Council on December 4, 2014, was signed by the Mayor on December 22, 2014. (File No. 150042)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

- Transmitting a message advising Council that Bill Nos. 130628, 140142, 140229, 140275, 140606, 140638-A, 140750, 140782-A, 140800, 140804, 140828, 140853, 140854, 140856, 140857, 140859, 140861, 140862, 140863, 140864, 140884, 140885, 140887, 140888, 140889, 140890, 140891, 140894, 140897, 140898, 140899, 140900, 140901, 140905, 140937, 140940, 140942, 140943, 140945, 140946, 140947, 140948 and 140949, which were passed by Council on December 11, 2014, were signed by the Mayor on December 19, 2014. (File No. 150043)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

- Transmitting a message advising Council that Bill Nos. 140209, 140829, 140860 and 140939, which were passed by Council on December 11, 2014, were signed

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THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

📄 December 19, 2014

TO THE PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE  
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA:

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 No. 140902      Recommended for approval  
Bill No. 140936      Recommended for approval  
Bill No. 140944      Recommended for approval

Respectfully submitted,  
Michael A. Nutter (File No. 150045)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

📄 Transmitting a resolution approving the appointment of Amy L. Kurland to be a member of the Philadelphia Housing Authority. (File No. 150047)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

📄 Transmitting a resolution approving the redevelopment contract of the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority for the redevelopment and urban renewal of a portion of the Model Cities Urban Renewal Area, identified by house numbers and street addresses as 1905 Turner street, 1907 Turner street, 1909 Turner street, 1911 Turner street, 1913 Turner street, 1915 Turner street and 1917 Turner street; and authorizing the Redevelopment Authority to execute the redevelopment contract with Habitat for Humanity Philadelphia, Inc. and to take such action as may be necessary to effectuate the redevelopment contract, accompanied by an explanatory letter from the Executive Director of the Redevelopment Authority. (File No. 150048)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

📄 Transmitting a bill authorizing the revision of lines and grades on a portion of City Plan No. 231 by striking from the City Plan the southeasterly half of Krams Avenue from Silverwood Street to a point approximately sixty-five feet southwestwardly therefrom, under certain terms and conditions, accompanied by an explanatory letter from the Streets Commissioner. (File No. 150049)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Councilmember Kenney Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmembers Kenney, Goode and Tasco:

- 📄 **Bill No. 150002:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 19-200 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “City Funds - Deposits, Investments, Disbursements”, by revising the list of City depositories; under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Councilmember Kenney Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Kenney, Council President Clarke, Greenlee, O'Neill and Squilla:

- 📄 **Resolution No. 150014:** Resolution Honoring the St. Joseph's Preparatory School Varsity Football Team on winning their second consecutive PIAA AAAA State Championship, District XII AAAA City Championship and Philadelphia Catholic League Championship.

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

- 📄 **Resolution No. 150015:** Resolution Urging the Pennsylvania General Assembly to swiftly pass legislation establishing regulations for Transportation Network Companies (TNC) that include the City of Philadelphia.

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

- 📄 **Bill No. 150003:** An Ordinance Authorizing the Trustees of the University of Pennsylvania to construct, own and maintain a temporary pedestrian bridge right-of-way encroachment within the public right-of-way at 3400 Civic Center Boulevard and 1 Convention Avenue, Philadelphia, PA, 19104 under certain terms and conditions.

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

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

- 📄 **Bill No. 150004:** An Ordinance Establishing parking regulations in the vicinity of: 45th street and Spruce street; Cedar avenue and 47th street; 34th street and Brandywine street; Farragut street and Walnut street.

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

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

- 📄 **Bill No. 150005:** An Ordinance Providing for the submission to the qualified electors of the City of Philadelphia of an amendment to The Philadelphia Home Rule Charter establishing and defining the responsibilities of an independent Commission on Universal Pre-Kindergarten; fixing the date of a special election for such purpose; prescribing the form of ballot questions to be voted on; and authorizing the appropriate officers to publish notice and to make arrangements for the special election.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON LAW AND GOVERNMENT.

Councilmember Blackwell Introduced and Referred the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Blackwell:

- 📄 **Resolution No. 150016:** Resolution Approving the appointment of Amy L. Kurland to be a member of the Philadelphia Housing Authority.

THE RESOLUTION WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

Councilmember Blackwell Introduced and Referred the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Blackwell:

- 📄 **Resolution No. 150017:** Resolution Proposing an amendment to the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter to provide for the creation, appointment, powers and duties of a Commission on Universal Pre-Kindergarten and providing for the submission of the amendment to the electors of Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON LAW AND GOVERNMENT.

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

- 📄 **Resolution No. 150018:** Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority, without consideration, deeds conveying conditional fee simple title to certain City-owned lots or pieces of ground with the buildings and improvement thereon, situate in the Fifty-first Ward of the City of Philadelphia, pursuant to Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code and authorizing the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority to dispose of such properties for rehabilitation and/or improvements in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code.

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Councilmember Greenlee Introduced and Referred the following Bill for Councilmember Council President Clarke, Sponsored by Councilmember Greenlee:

- 📄 **Bill No. 150006:** An Ordinance Establishing parking regulations in the vicinity of: Fairmount avenue and 18th street; Melon street and 15th street; 4th street and Thompson street.

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

Councilmember Greenlee Introduced and Referred the following Bill for Councilmember Council President Clarke, Sponsored by Councilmember Greenlee:

- 📄 **Bill No. 150007:** An Ordinance To amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Front Street, Oxford Street, Frankford Avenue, Norris Street, Aramingo Avenue, Fletcher Street, Moyer Street, Berks Street, Girard Avenue, Columbia Avenue, Beach Street, Delaware Avenue, Frankford Avenue, and Girard Avenue.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

Councilmember Greenlee Introduced and Ordered Placed On Next Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution for Councilmember Council President Clarke, Sponsored by Councilmember Greenlee:

- 📄 **Resolution No. 150019:** Resolution Approving the redevelopment contract of the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority for the redevelopment and urban renewal of a portion of the Model Cities Urban Renewal Area, identified by house numbers and street addresses as 1905 Turner street, 1907 Turner street, 1909 Turner street, 1911 Turner street, 1913 Turner street, 1915 Turner street and 1917 Turner street; and authorizing the Redevelopment Authority to execute the redevelopment contract with Habitat for Humanity Philadelphia, Inc. and to take such action as may be necessary to effectuate the redevelopment contract.

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

- 📄 **Bill No. 150008:** An Ordinance Amending Subcode "A" of Title 4 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "The Philadelphia Administrative Code," as it has been amended by Bill No. 140856, by amending Chapter 9, entitled "Fees," by revising the fees for licenses issued under Chapter 9-3900 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Property Licenses and Owner Accountability," under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON LICENSES AND INSPECTIONS.

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

- 📄 **Resolution No. 150020:** Resolution Requesting the Mayor to return to Council Bill No. 140892, entitled “An Ordinance Amending Chapter 9-3900 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled 'Property Licenses and Owner Accountability,' by reorganizing the provisions of that Chapter into separate provisions for Rental Licenses (and accompanying Certificates of Suitability); Vacant Lot Licenses; Vacant Structure Licenses; and Vacant Waterfront Structure Licenses; and by revising certain requirements for those licenses, including detailing the requirement to designate a Managing Agent for the property; all under certain terms and conditions,” for the purpose of reconsideration by the Council of the vote by which said bill passed Council.

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

- 📄 **Resolution No. 150021:** Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority, without consideration, deeds conveying conditional fee simple title to certain City-owned lots or pieces of ground with the buildings and improvements thereon, situate in the Thirty-sixth Ward of the City of Philadelphia, pursuant to Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code and authorizing the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority to dispose of such properties for rehabilitation and/or improvements in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code.

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

- 📄 **Resolution No. 150022:** Resolution Calling on the Pennsylvania State Legislature to make achieving clean water a greater priority in the year 2015 by increasing state investments to be made by the General Assembly and the Governor with dedicated, sustainable and long-term funding sources.

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

- 📄 **Resolution No. 150023:** Resolution Recognizing and honoring Raymond Jamal Maples, the first African American from Philadelphia to graduate from West Point Military Academy and for being the third running back in Army history to rush for 1,000 yards in consecutive seasons.

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DISCUSSION - COUNCILMEMBER NEILSON - RESOLUTION NO. 150023 - (SEE NOTES OF TESTIMONY)

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 150024:** Resolution Recognizing The Polish American Congress, Eastern Pennsylvania District for the tribute of the 269th Anniversary of the birth of General Thaddeus Kosciuszko.

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 150025:** Resolution Authorizing the creation of a “Special Committee on Income Inequality in the City of Philadelphia,” to identify trends, impacts and opportunities associated with income inequality in the City of Philadelphia.

Councilmember O'Brien Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmembers O'Brien and Greenlee:

- ☐ **Bill No. 150001:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 17-2100 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Conflicts Counsel Contracts”, by requiring that certain City contracts dealing with the provision of services for indigent legal defense may only be made when permitted by ordinance where the contractor is the Defender Association of Philadelphia, the Support Center for Child Advocates, or Community Legal Services; all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON LAW AND GOVERNMENT.

Councilmember O'Brien Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember O'Brien:

- ☐ **Bill No. 150009:** An Ordinance Amending Title 21 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Miscellaneous”, by establishing a policy of posting all Missing and Endangered Persons Alerts on City websites and social media sites; all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY.

- ☐ **Resolution No. 150026:** Resolution Authorizing Council's Committee on the Disabled and Special Needs to hold public hearings to examine the Philadelphia Autism Project's final report and strategic plan.

Councilmember O'Brien Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage

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Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers O'Brien, Council President Clarke, Goode, Bass, Tasco, Greenlee, Oh, Kenney, Johnson, Jones, Neilson, O'Neill, Squilla and Henon:

- 📄 **Resolution No. 150027:** Resolution Authorizing Council's Committee on the Disabled and Special Needs to hold public hearings regarding the state of educational opportunities and career development in Philadelphia for people with physical, psychiatric, sensory, intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Councilmember O'Brien Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage  
Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers O'Brien, Goode, Bass, Greenlee, Tasco, Council President Clarke, Oh, Kenney, Johnson, Jones, Neilson, O'Neill, Squilla and Henon:

- 📄 **Resolution No. 150028:** Resolution Authorizing Council's Committee on the Disabled and Special Needs to hold public hearings regarding the state of housing in Philadelphia for people with physical, psychiatric, sensory, intellectual and developmental disabilities.

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

- 📄 **Resolution No. 150029:** Resolution Authorizing Council's Committee on Public Safety to hold public hearings examining the effectiveness of utilizing Narcan in response to drug overdoses and the feasibility of its use in the City of Philadelphia.

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

- 📄 **Bill No. 150010:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 17-1600 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Economic Opportunity Plans", to require that certain Economic Opportunity Plans incorporate the requirements of the First Source Jobs Policy contained in Chapter 17-2000 of The Philadelphia Code; all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Councilmember Reynolds Brown Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmembers Reynolds Brown and Kenney:

- 📄 **Bill No. 150011:** An Ordinance Amending Section 9-3402 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Benchmarking Energy and Water Use", to expand the buildings for which the benchmarking and reporting of energy and water usage data is required, all under certain terms and conditions.

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THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT.

Councilmember Reynolds Brown Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Neilson and Jones:

- 📄 **Resolution No. 150030:** Resolution Recognizing January as “National Human Trafficking Awareness Month” in Philadelphia.

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

- 📄 **Bill No. 150012:** An Ordinance Authorizing the revision of lines and grades on a portion of City Plan No. 231 by striking from the City Plan the southeasterly half of Krams Avenue from Silverwood Street to a point approximately sixty-five feet southwestwardly therefrom, under certain terms and conditions.

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

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

- 📄 **Resolution No. 150031:** Resolution Applauding and honoring the efforts of the Garden State Underwater Recovery Unit, a non-profit organization of volunteer underwater rescue divers for its commitment to community service and for its courageous and valiant efforts in the search and recovery of Shane Montgomery who accidentally drowned.

Councilmember Jones Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Jones, Council President Clarke, Reynolds Brown, Quiñones Sánchez, Bass, Tasco, O'Neill, Squilla, O'Brien, Oh, Goode, Johnson, Henon, Kenney, Greenlee, Neilson and Blackwell:

- 📄 **Resolution No. 150032:** Resolution Honoring and recognizing SEPTA Police Sergeant Daniel Caban and SEPTA Police Officer Darrel James for demonstrating fast and effective emergency response and professional valiance in the dramatic delivery of a Christmas Miracle on the Market-Frankford El train on Christmas Day in 2014.

Councilmember Jones Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Jones, Kenney, Reynolds Brown and Goode:

- 📄 **Resolution No. 150033:** Resolution Honoring and celebrating Philadelphia's

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Living Legends: Geneva Black, Senator Shirley M. Kitchen, Cody Anderson, Vernon Odom, Fire Commissioner Lloyd Ayers, Ret., Vai Sikahema and Bobby Williams in the areas of government, public safety, social justice, civil rights, labor relations, journalism, community activism and business leadership in Philadelphia; and also recognizing Obra Kernodle IV as an Up and Coming Living Legend, all as part of the commemoration of Black History Month.

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

**Resolution No. 150034:** Resolution Honoring and acknowledging Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP) on its research towards a cure for Sickle Cell Anemia.

Councilmember Jones Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution for Councilmember Council President Clarke, Sponsored by Councilmembers Jones, Tasco, Reynolds Brown, Bass, Blackwell, Goode, Oh, Kenney, Greenlee and O'Brien:

**Resolution No. 150035:** Resolution Honoring, recognizing and congratulating Siobhan A. Reardon for being named the 2015 Librarian of the Year by the Library Journal.

Councilmember Jones Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Jones, Blackwell and Reynolds Brown:

**Resolution No. 150036:** Resolution Honoring and recognizing Reverend Donald D. Moore for his recent induction as the ninth pastor at Mount Carmel Baptist Church after serving as Associate Minister at Kaighn Avenue Baptist Church in Camden, New Jersey and formerly serving as a pastoral intern and then Preacher-in-Residence under the leadership and tutelage of Reverend Dr. Albert F. Campbell at Mount Carmel Baptist Church in West Philadelphia.

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

**Resolution No. 150037:** Resolution Congratulating and honoring the teachers and support staff of the Pennsylvania School for the Deaf on successfully forming a union and joining the American Federation of Teachers, Pennsylvania.

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

**Resolution No. 150038:** Resolution Amending Resolution No. 140528,

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approving the annual Program Statement and Budget for the expenditure of the Neighborhood Transformation Initiative (NTI) Bond Proceeds for Fiscal Year 2015.

 **Bill No. 150013:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 12 of The Philadelphia Code regarding towing and immobilization of a vehicle for which registration information cannot be obtained.

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

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

 **Resolution No. 150039:** Resolution Recognizing and Celebrating the 10th Anniversary of Philadelphia Fashion Week for its important enrichment to the City's fashion community and the creative/innovative economy.

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

 **Resolution No. 150040:** Resolution Recognizing 2015 as the “Year of the Borinqueneers - United States Army 65th Infantry Regiment” in Philadelphia to honor and celebrate the remarkable military accomplishments of this Puerto Rican Regiment despite facing segregation and prejudice.

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

 **Resolution No. 150041:** Resolution Expressing City Council's support for Mohammad Gulab, the hero who saved U.S. Navy Seal Marcus Luttrell and urging that the United States Department of Homeland Security offer Gulab and his family political asylum in the United States.

**CONSIDERATION OF THE CALENDAR**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

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The following persons provided public comment on January 22, 2015:

**Name and Comment Subject**

Ed O'Donnell (141041)

Wendy Vote (150030)

See Notes of Testimony for full comment.

**BILLS ON FIRST READING**

 **Bill No. 140721:** An Ordinance Providing for the submission to the qualified electors of the City of Philadelphia of the proposal set forth in a Resolution approved by Council proposing an amendment to the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter relating to the creation of a new Department of Planning and Development, headed by a Cabinet-level Director, to oversee the City's planning, zoning, licensing, inspection, enforcement, and housing functions; continuing the existence of the City Planning Commission, Philadelphia Historical Commission, Zoning Board of Adjustment, Board of Building Standards, and Board of License and Inspection Review as boards or commissions in such new Department, with certain changes to the powers and duties of such boards and commissions; creating a new Intergovernmental Housing Commission in such new Department; and conforming other provisions of the Charter to such reorganization; and authorizing the appropriate officers to publish notice and to make arrangements for the special election.

THE BILL WAS READ.

Councilmember Jones

moved that the rules of Council be suspended to permit the removal of Bill No. 140721 from the Calendar at this time.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

 **Bill No. 140721:** An Ordinance Providing for the submission to the qualified electors of the City of Philadelphia of the proposal set forth in a Resolution approved by Council proposing an amendment to the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter relating to the creation of a new Department of Planning and Development, headed by a Cabinet-level Director, to oversee the City's planning, zoning, licensing, inspection, enforcement, and housing functions; continuing the existence of the City Planning Commission, Philadelphia Historical Commission, Zoning Board of Adjustment, Board of Building Standards, and

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Board of License and Inspection Review as boards or commissions in such new Department, with certain changes to the powers and duties of such boards and commissions; creating a new Intergovernmental Housing Commission in such new Department; and conforming other provisions of the Charter to such reorganization; and authorizing the appropriate officers to publish notice and to make arrangements for the special election.

THE BILL WAS RECOMMITTED.

THE BILL WAS RE-REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON LAW AND GOVERNMENT.

**BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON FINAL PASSAGE**

 **Resolution No. 141035:** Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority, without consideration, deeds conveying conditional fee simple title to certain City-owned lots or pieces of ground with the buildings and improvement thereon, situate in the Third Ward of the City of Philadelphia, pursuant to Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code and authorizing the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority to dispose of such properties for rehabilitation and/or improvements in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

 **Resolution No. 141036:** Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority, without consideration, deeds conveying conditional fee simple title to certain City-owned lots or pieces of ground with the buildings and improvements thereon, situate in the Twenty-eighth Ward of the City of Philadelphia, pursuant to Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code and authorizing the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority to dispose of such properties for rehabilitation and/or improvements in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

 **Resolution No. 141037:** Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority, without consideration, deeds conveying conditional fee simple title to certain City-owned lots or pieces of ground with the buildings and improvements thereon, situate in the Fifteenth and Thirty-second Wards of the City of Philadelphia, pursuant to Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code and authorizing the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority to dispose of such properties for rehabilitation and/or improvements in accordance with the terms

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THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

- ☐ **Resolution No. 141041:** Resolution Calling upon the Task Force on 21st Century Policing created by President Barack Obama to examine, in its report on promoting effective crime reduction, the importance of community policing, race relations and diversity training in policing practices as well as a review of racial disparities in the Criminal Justice System.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

- ☐ **Resolution No. 141042:** Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority, without consideration, deeds conveying conditional fee simple title to certain City-owned lots or pieces of ground with the buildings and improvements thereon, situate in the Seventh, Eighteenth and Nineteenth Wards of the City of Philadelphia, pursuant to Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code and authorizing the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority to dispose of such properties for rehabilitation and/or improvements in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

- ☐ **Resolution No. 140732:** Resolution Proposing an amendment to The Philadelphia Home Rule Charter relating to the creation of a new Department of Planning and Development, headed by a Cabinet-level Director, to oversee the City's planning, zoning, licensing, inspection, enforcement, and housing functions; continuing the existence of the City Planning Commission, Philadelphia Historical Commission, Zoning Board of Adjustment, Board of Building Standards, and Board of License and Inspection Review as boards or commissions in such new Department, with certain changes to the powers and duties of such boards and commissions; creating a new Intergovernmental Housing Commission in such new Department; and conforming other provisions of the Charter to such reorganization; and providing for the submission of the amendment to the electors of Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS READ.

Councilmember Jones

moved that the rules of Council be suspended to permit the removal of Bill No. 140732 from the Calendar at this time.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

- ☐ **Resolution No. 140732:** Resolution Proposing an amendment to The Philadelphia Home Rule Charter relating to the creation of a new Department of

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Planning and Development, headed by a Cabinet-level Director, to oversee the City's planning, zoning, licensing, inspection, enforcement, and housing functions; continuing the existence of the City Planning Commission, Philadelphia Historical Commission, Zoning Board of Adjustment, Board of Building Standards, and Board of License and Inspection Review as boards or commissions in such new Department, with certain changes to the powers and duties of such boards and commissions; creating a new Intergovernmental Housing Commission in such new Department; and conforming other provisions of the Charter to such reorganization; and providing for the submission of the amendment to the electors of Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS RECOMMITTED.

THE RESOLUTION WAS RE-REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON LAW AND GOVERNMENT.

 **Resolution No. 150014:** Resolution Honoring the St. Joseph's Preparatory School Varsity Football Team on winning their second consecutive PIAA AAAA State Championship, District XII AAAA City Championship and Philadelphia Catholic League Championship.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

 **Resolution No. 150020:** Resolution Requesting the Mayor to return to Council Bill No. 140892, entitled "An Ordinance Amending Chapter 9-3900 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled 'Property Licenses and Owner Accountability,' by reorganizing the provisions of that Chapter into separate provisions for Rental Licenses (and accompanying Certificates of Suitability); Vacant Lot Licenses; Vacant Structure Licenses; and Vacant Waterfront Structure Licenses; and by revising certain requirements for those licenses, including detailing the requirement to designate a Managing Agent for the property; all under certain terms and conditions," for the purpose of reconsideration by the Council of the vote by which said bill passed Council.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

 **Resolution No. 150023:** Resolution Recognizing and honoring Raymond Jamal Maples, the first African American from Philadelphia to graduate from West Point Military Academy and for being the third running back in Army history to rush for 1,000 yards in consecutive seasons.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

 **Resolution No. 150024:** Resolution Recognizing The Polish American Congress, Eastern Pennsylvania District for the tribute of the 269th Anniversary of the birth of General Thaddeus Kosciuszko.

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THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

- ☐ **Resolution No. 150026:** Resolution Authorizing Council's Committee on the Disabled and Special Needs to hold public hearings to examine the Philadelphia Autism Project's final report and strategic plan.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

- ☐ **Resolution No. 150027:** Resolution Authorizing Council's Committee on the Disabled and Special Needs to hold public hearings regarding the state of educational opportunities and career development in Philadelphia for people with physical, psychiatric, sensory, intellectual and developmental disabilities.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

- ☐ **Resolution No. 150028:** Resolution Authorizing Council's Committee on the Disabled and Special Needs to hold public hearings regarding the state of housing in Philadelphia for people with physical, psychiatric, sensory, intellectual and developmental disabilities.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

- ☐ **Resolution No. 150029:** Resolution Authorizing Council's Committee on Public Safety to hold public hearings examining the effectiveness of utilizing Narcan in response to drug overdoses and the feasibility of its use in the City of Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

- ☐ **Resolution No. 150030:** Resolution Recognizing January as “National Human Trafficking Awareness Month” in Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

- ☐ **Resolution No. 150031:** Resolution Applauding and honoring the efforts of the Garden State Underwater Recovery Unit, a non-profit organization of volunteer underwater rescue divers for its commitment to community service and for its courageous and valiant efforts in the search and recovery of Shane Montgomery who accidentally drowned.

DISCUSSION - COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON - RESOLUTION NO. 150031 - (SEE NOTES OF TESTIMONY).

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

- ☐ **Resolution No. 150032:** Resolution Honoring and recognizing SEPTA Police Sergeant Daniel Caban and SEPTA Police Officer Darrel James for demonstrating fast and effective emergency response and professional valiance in the dramatic delivery of a Christmas Miracle on the Market-Frankford El train on

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THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

- ☐ **Resolution No. 150033:** Resolution Honoring and celebrating Philadelphia's Living Legends: Geneva Black, Senator Shirley M. Kitchen, Cody Anderson, Vernon Odom, Fire Commissioner Lloyd Ayers, Ret., Vai Sikahema and Bobby Williams in the areas of government, public safety, social justice, civil rights, labor relations, journalism, community activism and business leadership in Philadelphia; and also recognizing Obra Kernodle IV as an Up and Coming Living Legend, all as part of the commemoration of Black History Month.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

- ☐ **Resolution No. 150034:** Resolution Honoring and acknowledging Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP) on its research towards a cure for Sickle Cell Anemia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

- ☐ **Resolution No. 150035:** Resolution Honoring, recognizing and congratulating Siobhan A. Reardon for being named the 2015 Librarian of the Year by the Library Journal.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

- ☐ **Resolution No. 150036:** Resolution Honoring and recognizing Reverend Donald D. Moore for his recent induction as the ninth pastor at Mount Carmel Baptist Church after serving as Associate Minister at Kaighn Avenue Baptist Church in Camden, New Jersey and formerly serving as a pastoral intern and then Preacher-in-Residence under the leadership and tutelage of Reverend Dr. Albert F. Campbell at Mount Carmel Baptist Church in West Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

- ☐ **Resolution No. 150037:** Resolution Congratulating and honoring the teachers and support staff of the Pennsylvania School for the Deaf on successfully forming a union and joining the American Federation of Teachers, Pennsylvania.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

- ☐ **Resolution No. 150039:** Resolution Recognizing and Celebrating the 10th Anniversary of Philadelphia Fashion Week for its important enrichment to the City's fashion community and the creative/innovative economy.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

- ☐ **Resolution No. 150040:** Resolution Recognizing 2015 as the "Year of the Borinqueneers - United States Army 65th Infantry Regiment" in Philadelphia to honor and celebrate the remarkable military accomplishments of this Puerto Rican Regiment

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despite facing segregation and prejudice.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

**Resolution No. 150041:** Resolution Expressing City Council's support for Mohammad Gulab, the hero who saved U.S. Navy Seal Marcus Luttrell and urging that the United States Department of Homeland Security offer Gulab and his family political asylum in the United States.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

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

**Bill No. 140831-A, as amended:** An Ordinance Amending Title 14 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Zoning and Planning," by revising regulations relating to home occupations, making conforming amendments to other provisions of Title 14, and making technical changes, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ.

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COUNCILMEMBER O'NEILL MOVED TO AMEND BILL NO. 140831 (SEE FILE).

COUNCILMEMBER O'NEILL MOVED FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE AMENDMENT.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

THE AMENDMENT TO BILL NO. 140831 WAS ADOPTED.

**Bill No. 140831-A, as amended:** An Ordinance Amending Title 14 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Zoning and Planning," by revising regulations relating to home occupations, making conforming amendments to other provisions of Title 14, and making technical changes, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS AMENDED.

THE BILL WAS ORDERED PLACED ON FINAL PASSAGE CALENDAR FOR NEXT MEETING..

**SPECIAL BUSINESS**

Councilmember Henon

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moved that the rules of Council be suspended to permit consideration of this Special Business at this time.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

*The Ayes and Nays were as follows:*

*Nays: 0*

*Ayes: 17 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson, Blackwell, Jones, Henon, Quiñones Sánchez, Bass, Tasco, O'Neill, Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Oh, Kenney, Neilson and O'Brien*

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

📅 January 21, 2015

To The President And Members Of  
The Council Of The City Of Philadelphia:

I am returning herewith, as requested by your Resolution adopted today, Bill No. 140892, entitled “An Ordinance Amending Chapter 9-3900 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Property Licenses and Owner Accountability,” by reorganizing the provisions of that Chapter into separate provisions for Rental Licenses (and accompanying Certificates of Suitability); Vacant Lot Licenses; Vacant Structure Licenses; and Vacant Waterfront Structure Licenses; and by revising certain requirements for those licenses, including detailing the requirement to designate a Managing Agent for the property; all under certain terms and conditions,” for the purpose of reconsideration by the Council of the vote by which said bill passed Council.

Respectfully,  
Michael A. Nutter  
Mayor (File No. 150046)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

Councilmember Henon

moved that the vote by which Bill No. 140892 passed Council be reconsidered.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

📄 **Bill No. 140892-A, as amended:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 9-3900 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Property Licenses and Owner Accountability,” by reorganizing the provisions of that Chapter into separate provisions for Rental Licenses (and accompanying Certificates of Suitability); Vacant Lot Licenses; Vacant Structure Licenses; and Vacant Waterfront Structure Licenses; and by

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revising certain requirements for those licenses, including detailing the requirement to designate a Managing Agent for the property; all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS RECONSIDERED.

*The Ayes and Nays were as follows:*

*Ayes: 17 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson, Blackwell, Jones, Henon, Quiñones Sánchez, Bass, Tasco, O'Neill, Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Oh, Kenney, Neilson and O'Brien*

*Nays: 0*

THE BILL WAS READ.

THE BILL AGAIN BEING BEFORE THE COUNCIL, COUNCILMEMBER HENON MOVED TO AMEND BILL NO. 140892 (SEE FILE).

COUNCILMEMBER HENON MOVED FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE AMENDMENT.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

THE AMENDMENT TO BILL NO. 140892 WAS ADOPTED.

**Bill No. 140892-A, as amended:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 9-3900 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Property Licenses and Owner Accountability," by reorganizing the provisions of that Chapter into separate provisions for Rental Licenses (and accompanying Certificates of Suitability); Vacant Lot Licenses; Vacant Structure Licenses; and Vacant Waterfront Structure Licenses; and by revising certain requirements for those licenses, including detailing the requirement to designate a Managing Agent for the property; all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS AMENDED.

THE BILL WAS ORDERED PLACED ON FINAL PASSAGE CALENDAR FOR NEXT MEETING..

**SPEECHES**

COUNCILMEMBERS OH, JONES, BLACKWELL AND SQUILLA - (SEE STATED MEETING MINUTES).

COUNCILMEMBER REYNOLDS BROWN MOVED TO ADJOURN

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.