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THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Section 9-212 of The Philadelphia Code is amended to read as follows:

§ 9-212. Newsstands.

   (1) Definitions. In this Section, the following definitions shall apply:

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   (3) Sales from Newsstand. No person shall sell or offer for sale *goods or other items, or the provision of services* from any newsstand [any goods or other items] except *as follows:* newspapers, magazines and periodicals, and, incidental to such business, paperback books, tobacco products, wrapped candy, cell

phone accessories, pre-paid phone cards, camera accessories, rain gear, postage stamps, single-serve coffee brewing cups, factory pre-wrapped snack food items for immediate consumption, non-alcoholic beverages, including water, soft drinks and juices, [and] State Lottery tickets as provided for by the "State Lottery Law," *bill-paying service, tickets to museums and other local attractions.*

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(5) Design of Newsstands.

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(f) No appurtenance for any advertising permitted by subsection 9-212(6)(b) may extend more than four inches (4") from the facade of the newsstand, nor above the roofline of the newsstand, and no such appurtenance may interfere with the minimum pedestrian right-of-way required by subsection 9-212(4)(b)(4). Permitted advertising shall be limited to the following:

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(.2) One advertisement may appear on each side of the newsstand, as follows:

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(iv) Advertising on the sidewalk side of the newsstand shall be limited to a video monitor no more than [twenty-four inches (24")] *forty-six inches (46")* wide.

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(h) A movable awning shall be permitted on the sidewalk side of a newsstand, provided that:

(.1) The awning does not project more than twelve (12) inches from the facade of the newsstand on the sidewalk side when fully extended*, except at certain locations as approved by the Philadelphia Streets Department and certain times of day where reducing excessive glare on the operators is needed to maintain business, as follows:*

(i) The awning may project thirty-six (36) inches from the facade of the newsstand;

(ii) The awning shall not reduce the minimum clear width of any sidewalk to less than ten (10) feet when fully extended;

(iii) The lower edge of the awning, not including the valance, is not less than seven (7) feet above the sidewalk when fully extended;

(iv) The awning does not have side panels;

(v) The awning may include a movable twelve (12) inch valance that may be unrolled between 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM and 4:00 PM and 6:00 PM. During all other times of the day the valance must be retracted;

(vi) The lower edge of the valance is not less than six (6) feet above the sidewalk when fully extended;

(vii) The valance be made of non-flammable material and bendable upon human contact.

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Explanation:

Italics indicate new matter added.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted.