EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 7-89

WHEREAS, Violent incidents at Veterans Stadium during the National Football League game played on December 10, 1989 demonstrate the threat to public safety caused by drunken patrons of Veterans Stadium; and

WHEREAS, A recurrence of such incidents may reasonably be anticipated at future football games played at Veterans Stadium, unless immediate action is taken to prevent such recurrence; and

WHEREAS, A principal cause of such incidents is the consumption of alcoholic beverages by patrons of Veterans Stadium both outside the Stadium prior to games, and inside the Stadium during games; and

WHEREAS, An agreement has been reached to stop the sale of alcoholic beverages inside Veterans Stadium during football games, and an additional action the City can take to protect the public safety in this matter is to exercise its powers as the owner of the parking lots serving the Stadium by prohibiting the possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages in such areas; and

WHEREAS, There is not sufficient time to follow the procedures for promulgation of regulations as set forth in The Philadelphia Home Rule Charter in order to have necessary regulations in place for the remainder of the 1989 football season; now, therefore

I. W. WILSON GOODE, by the power vested in me by The Philadelphia Home Rule Charter, do hereby ORDER:
SECTION 1. The Department of Public Property Regulations attached hereto as Exhibit "A" shall take effect immediately as temporary regulations. The requirements of Section 8-407 of The Philadelphia Home Rule Charter relating to promulgation of regulations are hereby suspended with respect to such Regulations, in light of the public safety emergency existing during football games played at Veterans Stadium.

SECTION 2. The Commissioner of Public Property shall comply forthwith with the procedures set forth in Section 8-407 of The Philadelphia Home Rule Charter for the promulgation of regulations, but the Regulations made effective under Section 1 of this Order shall remain effective while those procedures are followed.

Date: 12-15-89

W. WILSON GOODE, Mayor
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PROPERTY

REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE POSSESSION AND CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ON CITY-OWNED PARKING LOTS SERVING VETERANS STADIUM

These Regulations are promulgated pursuant to Sections 5-900 and 8-407 of the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter.

I. Definitions

A. Stadium Parking Lots. The outdoor City-owned public parking lots at the Philadelphia Sports Complex, Broad street and Pattison avenue, bounded by Packer avenue to the north, Terminal avenue to the south, between Broad street and Eleventh street, Pattison avenue to the south, between Eleventh street and Tenth street, Tenth street to the east, between Pattison and Packer, Eleventh street to the east, between Pattison and Terminal, and Broad street to the west, and any other City-owned premises used to accommodate vehicles of persons attending National Football League games at Veterans Stadium.

B. Alcoholic Beverages. All "liquor" and "malt or brewed beverages" as defined by the Pennsylvania Liquor Code, 47 P.S. §1-102.

II. Prohibited Conduct

A. No person shall bring any alcoholic beverages onto, or possess or consume any alcoholic beverages in, the Stadium Parking Lots when those lots are open to accommodate persons attending a National Football League game at Veterans Stadium.

EXHIBIT "A"
III. Notice and Enforcement

A. Signs shall be posted at all entrances to the Stadium Parking Lots clearly informing persons entering the Stadium Parking Lots of the prohibitions of these Regulations.

B. Persons violating these Regulations shall be informed that they have violated these Regulations, shall be required to surrender all alcoholic beverages in their possession, and shall be requested to leave the Stadium Parking Lots immediately. Any person refusing such a request is subject to arrest and prosecution for criminal trespass pursuant to 18 Pa. C.S.A. §3503(b).

December 15, 1989

Date:

BENJAMIN F. ELLIS, JR.
Commissioner of Public Property