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Councilman Bill Green
599 City Hall
Philadelphia, PA 19107

Dear Councilman Green:

I read with interest your letter in today's *Daily News* and continue to marvel at your inexperience, your political naiveté and your inability to see an issue for what it truly is.

Unfortunately, despite our previous correspondence, you still credit columnist Jill Porter with accurately portraying the situation at Reading Terminal Market. As previously stated, her column was obviously written based on information provided to her by Mr. Olivieri himself. Missing from both your analysis and Ms. Porter's is that this issue did not derive from Tony Luke's or any other vendor. Rather, this issue is about Rick Olivieri, his actions and the harm he was bringing to the Market itself.

In the future, I would encourage you to focus on the issues themselves rather than merely attempting to grand stand and gain public notoriety.

Most upsetting about your letter is your statement that the Market is an example of "people entrusted with preserving public assets apparently abusing their positions of authority to advantage their friends and associates." Following this bold and accusatory statement, you admit a close relationship with Olivieri. Of course, this relationship has nothing to do with your interest in this topic. Being a more reasonable and respectful person than you, I'll give you the benefit of the doubt.

In closing, I have earned a reputation of being one of the most level-headed members of Council. I am proud of my ability to build consensus because I treat each member, whether freshman or veteran, with the respect he or she deserves. Unfortunately, with you, I have reached the end of my rope and would strongly suggest that you alter your tactics and your tone.

Respectfully,

Frank DiCicco
1st District Councilman

cc: Mayor Michael A. Nutter
All Councilmembers
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