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CONTRACT FOR CITY OF PEEKSKILL WHITE COLLAR WORKERS SETTLED IN RECORD TIME

(Peekskill, New York)... Mayor John G. Testa and members of the Common Council are delighted to announce that the bargaining unit representing Peekskill's white-collar employees ratified a new three-year contract on Monday, April 7, 2003.

At a meeting in City Hall on Monday, April 7th, the contract settlement reached between the City of Peekskill and union representatives was presented to the city's white-collar employees who approved the three-year agreement. Like the contract for the blue-collar employees, union representatives and the white-collar employees were able to resolve contract negotiations in a very short time. The contract provides salary increases beginning at 3.4% for 2003, 3.65% for 2004 and 3.9% for 2005. These increases are on par with the average settlement for comparable units within Westchester County. The Common Council will adopt a resolution on Monday, April 14, 2003 accepting the agreement ratified by union membership.

"The Common Council and I are very pleased that union representatives and the City's Personnel Department were able to negotiate in good faith and present a package that meets the needs of the white-collar workers at City Hall. We are committed to ensuring fair living wages for city employees, many of whom are Peekskill residents, and providing essential services, which improve the quality of life for all Peekskill residents. The actions of the city's white-collar workers confirm their commitment to deliver services to the community without interruption," noted Mayor John G. Testa.

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