

To Whom It May Concern:

A fully accessible taxicab system is a vital component of any world-class city and reflects how a city values its citizens and its visitors. Yet twenty-five years after the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act, only seven of the 1,599 taxicabs in Philadelphia are wheelchair accessible - less than 0.5%.

For this reason we, the undersigned, publicly support the Philadelphia Parking Authority's Proposed Rulemaking Order 126-11, which would require all replacement medallion taxicabs be wheelchair accessible vehicles. With the lifespan of a Philadelphia taxi being eight years, this would bring a fully integrated fleet to the City of Brotherly Love by 2023.

Sincerely,