

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, any official position of the City of Los Angeles with respect to legislation, rules, regulations or policies proposed to or pending before a local, state or federal governmental body or agency must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, transportation network companies (TNCs), such as Uber and Lyft, are currently regulated by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) and taxicabs are regulated by local agencies, which has resulted in different and disproportionate regulations and requirements; and

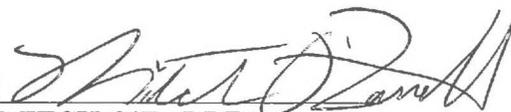
WHEREAS, on June 27, 2016, Governor Brown announced that regulation of TNCs will be transferred from the CPUC to the California State Transportation Agency, which should take place in the next few months; and

WHEREAS, the City currently regulates taxicab companies, vehicle owners, and drivers through the granting of a taxi franchise that involves confirming that drivers are licensed and vehicles are insured, testing of drivers, performing safety inspections on vehicles, establishing rates paid by customers, investigating alleged wrongdoing by drivers, and making recommendations for discipline; and

WHEREAS, the taxicab industry is an important transportation option and is facing increased competition and declining market shares due to the proliferation of TNCs, which is further exacerbated by the unbalanced and ineffective nature of how the services are regulated; and

WHEREAS, a truly effective regulatory scheme of for-hire transportation services should be a balanced state and local regulatory framework to address the rapid integration of new technologies;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2017-18 State Legislative Program SUPPORT or SPONSORSHIP of legislation or administrative action that would transfer the regulatory authority of transportation network companies (TNCs) from the State to local agencies.

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