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My company has an office near Philadelphia so have many visitors and employees coming through Philadelphia. My industry just had a major conference there, and will have another next year (BIO and DIA conferences). We hope to see improvements to your city. I support the Philadelphia Parking Authority's Proposed Rulemaking Order 126-11, which would require all vehicles proposed for taxicab service after a designated date to be wheelchair accessible. I believe that a fully accessible taxicab system is a vital component of any world-class city and reflects how a city respects the civil rights of its citizens and visitors. It is important that this rulemaking passes so that the City of Brotherly Love becomes the first city in America with a fully integrated taxicab system.

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Thank you,

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