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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.

After using regular cabs and fighting to get a wheelchair and a walker in the trunk, then using an accessible van with a friendly and helpful driver, it changed the entire day! We started off on such a positive easy note. It was incredible the difference it made. Bring a wheelchair with you next time you use a cab, you'll agree!

Thank you,

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