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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.

I would love to be able to go out to dinner or other events with my friends and colleauges who require accessible transportation. It is a barrier to access to work and personal life, not to be able to hop into a cab with my friends and coworkers who have a wheelchair or other mobility issue, and get someplace with ease and safety in a taxi as everyone else does. Travel to Philly for work or pleasure would be great knowing that the city takes inclusion for all seriously.

Thank you,

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