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II write as a woman who loves my city (and who writes of it often for the Inquirer) and as a woman who has come to care greatly for the fine variety of people who call themselves Philadelphians.

I write on behalf of those who are differently abled, who need more time to get on and off public transportation, and in and out of cabs.

It is their city, too.

They should navigate it with ease.

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.

Take care,

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