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MEMO OF OPPOSITION

Our Association consists of members from the Taxi, Bus & Limousine Industry that operate in Buffalo, Rochester, Syracuse, and Albany. Our members abide by New York States current laws & regulations. We oppose the current bills introduced to the New York Senate & Assembly (**S04108C, A08195, S4280A, and A6090a**). All of the introduced bills do not solve the issues associated with "For-Hire" Ride-Sharing.

The Ground Transportation Industry Statewide is not looking to stifle new technology, and is not looking to eliminate competition from the market place. We are simply asking our legislators to require TNC's to follow & abide by the current state & local laws & regulations our members are required to follow.

Our association is asking for a "level playing field" for all companies providing transportation services in the state of New York. TNC's provide "For-Hire" Transportation services. New York State already has regulations in place to regulate transportation services. There is no reason for New York State to create separate regulations for TNC's.

Ground Transportation Companies operating legally in New York State, are urging a "Call To Action" by State Law makers, to create a task Force consisting of Banks, Credit Unions, Insurance Carriers, Business Leaders, Restaurant Owners , Taxi, Limo, Livery companies, TNC's & Municipal Governments as well as DMV to discuss this issue. A comprehensive sensible plan to regulate these TNC's needs to be discussed before legislation is passed in New York State.

Thank you for your time, if you have any additional questions you can reach out to our Association President Kevin Barwell at 716 308 6815.

Sincerely,

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