

# **Westchester Neighbors Association**

August 17, 2015

Councilman Mike Bonin  
200 N. Spring Street, Room 475  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Item 15-0899 Rejection of Non-Exclusive License Agreement covering Transportation Network Companies (TNCs) servicing LAX

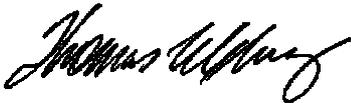
Dear Councilman Bonin:

Although we are not opposed to TNCs servicing LAX, our organization is concerned about the LAWA previous approval of the controls to be imposed on TNCs for the following issues:

- Inadequate security controls on drivers- Unlike other commercial vehicles servicing LAX these TNC drivers do not require finger printing and are subjected to a reduced background check. No official seal or government issued identification will be in autos. Instead a seal that can be purchased on-line from Amazon is used to designate the vehicles.
- Inadequate pick up controls resulting in TNC parking in our residential areas awaiting fares- LAWA and the Bonin Council Office agreed to a scheme whereby the TNC aps would only authorize pickup from within a holding lot. Actions to get around the control such as pre-establishing a pick up time with a TNC driver directly allows circumvention of the TNC application that is supposed to limit access to the Central Terminal Area.
- Ability to circumvent collection of LAX pick up fees--A better control must be a transponder such as that used in the carpool lanes rather than a company proprietary GPS tracking system that can't be independently audited.

We understand that pick up and drop off by TNCs may also exacerbate traffic in the Central Terminal Area, but we are leaving this to LAWA to resolve. We are more concerned about the impacts within our local, surrounding community.

Best Regards,



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