

PETITION

From the Independent Taxi-Cab Drivers  
Sacramento, California

This Petition is respectfully submitted to the City Council of the City of Sacramento, California, by the undersigned Independent Taxi-Cab Drivers of Sacramento, California.

We, the drivers, have been very surprised by recent developments in the way our parking spaces are being changed and/or removed. Specially we wish to bring to the attention of the City Council the situation created in the 700 Block of L St., downtown.

As independent Cab-drivers we get most, if not all of our fares, from people who walk up to our stands and board an available taxi. In the downtown area there are three principal taxi-cab stands regarding the volume of our business: The amtrak Station that accounts for about 10% of our volume of business, the Hyatt Hotel accounting for about 30%, and the Greyhound Depot accounting for about 40%. (Our main loading location)

It is at the Greyhound Station that the most recent changes have been instituted. Parking spaces for five taxi-cabs were painted over and changed to passenger drop-off zones, leaving only one space for taxi-cab parking, and this one space is located across the street from the bus depot, making people jay walk across one of the busiest thoroughfares in the downtown area in order to board a taxi.

We readily understand the desire of the City Council to rectify matters and accomodate the business owners in the area on any complaints they may have brought to their attention regarding the availability of taxis and any parking conflict the taxis may create for their incoming employees or guests. We wish to state hereby that we are willing to cooperate in any changes in the way the taxi-cab parking may have to be altered to conform with the desires of the merchants involved.

We ask the city Council that at least three spaces be provided for taxi-cab parking on the 700 block of L Street, the existing one across the street, plus two more on the north side of the street by the depot.

We seek the protection of the city Council as we too are licensed business owners operating under the rules enacted by the City Council and we rest in the confidence the City Council will be fair to all its constituents, us and the merchants involved. We express our gratitude to the City Council for considering this matter and we are sure the fact we have presented our side of the story before you, will bring a just decision, fair and equitable for all concerned.

Encls. Drivers signatures

Name	Co. Name	CAB #	Signature
Bassam Swailim	National TAXI	109	
R. S. WALIA	Down Town TAXI	171	
RAGHBIR SINGH	Rivercity CAB	4	
JASBIR SINGH	LIBERTY CAB	8	Jasbir Singh
Ziad Swailim	Kings Taxi	1	Ziad Swailim
Ahmed Obeidat	National Taxi	55	Ahmed
ROBERTO PIZON SR	METRO CAB #	2	R. P. Pizon
Mohammad H. Azzah	Sunshine TAXI CO	09	
Mutasim Hamarnel	National Taxi	77/69	
Hamidullah Karim	Sunshine Taxi	13	
Mohamed Nassar	Olympics Cab Co	19	
Ha. Ho	STAMMENTO	9	
Jenna Nazir	Sunshine Co.	02	
Nidal Sony	<del>National</del> National Taxi	79	
Hadi Orab	<del>National</del> National Taxi	40	
NIRUP J. DAUG	NATIONAL TAXI - #	95	
Sami NASSAR	Sun Shine	24	
JAGDIS S. TAYLOR	VALLET CAB Co	0	
FIORELL Smith	NATIONAL TAXI	93	Smitty
Naqibullah	Sunshine Taxi	07	
Khaled F. Abdelgawad	Daily Cab	01	
Jerd Brown	action cab	04	Jerd Brown
ALBANO RODRIGUES	Action CAB	33	
JAHIL W. PODAN	VIP. CAB Co	02	
SADIQUE BATH	VIP CAB Co	01	
FAROOZ KHAWAR	VIP CAB Co	22	
Isaiah Ahmad	Sunshine Taxi Co	49	
Raise Kawyami	Venus Cab	25	
Surya	National Taxi	49	
Khaleequz-Zaman	Pacific Cab	06	
Mohammad Alemi	BEST Cab.	01	

name	company name	cab#	Signature
MATT YOUNG	NATIONAL TAXI	9	<i>Matt Young</i>
<del>As</del> Aroune Bounthavong	SACI Cab	11-	<i>Aroune</i>
Sandra Medlin	RHINO CAB	1	<i>Sandra J. Medlin</i>
MEL CLYKE	ALPHA CAB	12	<i>Mel Clyke</i>
JOGINDER 'SIDHU'	S. EXPRESS CAB	92	<i>Michelle</i>
DAVID WAHED	Sunshine cab	06	<i>David Wahed</i>
A R CASTELLANOS	NATIONAL CAB	99	<i>A. R. Castellanos</i>
Ahmad Zia. MANI	City CAB Co	# 2	<i>Ahmad Zia Mani</i>
Polly Panshaw	National Taxi	# 94	<i>Polly Panshaw</i>
Jim Simon	" "	# 95	<i>Jim Simon</i>
ZULFIKAR ALI	Delta CAB Co	# 22	<i>Zulfiqar Ali</i>
Joe Sullivan	NATIONAL TAXI	# 19	<i>Joe Sullivan</i>
Shir Kuban	Sunshine taxi	101	<i>Shir Kuban</i>
Omair Sheikh	Nahul Taxi	22	<i>Omair Sheikh</i>
Belal Hawarneh	National TAXI	99	<i>Belal Hawarneh</i>