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**Subject: Res 0638-2023**

Having seen that Res 0638-2023 was introduced in the City Council by CM Farias to create a surcharge on TAXIS to subsidize FHVS in switching to WAVs & BEVs it is incumbent to point out what I hope is just a mistake in the language. There seems to be a misunderstanding of the difference between TAXIS & FHVS. Taxis are yellow, they already collect a surcharge on every trip to provide funds to purchasers of wheelchair accessible TAXIS, which is mandated by law. One half of taxis are required to be wheelchair accessible. As of today, there are no wheelchair accessible vehicles that may be used that are EVs. FHVs are everything else- app cars, liveries, luxury, black cars.

Is there legislation in the NYS Assembly and/or Senate that corresponds to Res 0638? Does it reflect the same error in language? Can you send me a link to the legislation?

As taxis should not be subsidizing FHVs, we would appreciate a correction of the language in the resolution before the problem escalates.

Thank you,  
NYC Taxi Medallion Owner Driver Association  
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