



NEW YORK CITY PEDICAB OWNERS' ASSOCIATION



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Pedicab Industry United in Support for Intro 75

New York, NY — The New York City Pedicab Owners' Association, as well as industry participants citywide, continues to support strongly Introduction 75, particularly in light of proposed legislation released recently by the administration.

“The administration’s proposal is a ban bill disguised as a regulation bill,” said George Bliss, president of the NYCPOA, referring to proposed pedicab legislation set to be introduced to the City Council’s Committee on Consumer Affairs today.

The administration’s proposal includes granting the Consumer Affairs commissioner the sole power to cap the number of pedicabs in NYC as well as bar pedicabs from city streets; banning pedicabs from all parks in NYC; limiting passenger seating to two adults (even though many are designed to seat three); disallowing pedicabs from traversing bridges; and limiting axle length to 48”. These proposals are counterproductive and arbitrary, especially considering the administration including DCA failed to consult industry participants while developing this proposal.

The New York City Pedicab Owners' Association is a group of owners committed to implementing and maintaining best practices across a NYC pedicab industry that comprises approximately 350 pedicabs, 230 of which participate in the NYCPOA.

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