CITY OF TORONTO

BY-LAW No. 369-2003

To amend City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 545, Licensing, respecting pecuniary interests of spouses and same-sex partners of applicants on the Drivers’ List and minimum hours of operation of Ambassador Taxicabs.

WHEREAS Section 150 of the Municipal Act, 2001, grants local municipalities the authority to license, regulate and govern any business wholly or partly carried on within the municipality for purposes of consumer protection; and

WHEREAS the Council of the City of Toronto has deemed it desirable for the protection of consumers within the municipality to ensure that applicants for Ambassador licenses do not have any indirect interest in an taxicab owner’s licence and to ensure that members of the public have adequate access to Ambassador taxicabs;

The Council of the City of Toronto HEREBY ENACTS as follows:

1. Chapter 545, Licensing, of The City of Toronto Municipal Code is amended by adding the following:

§ 545-133A(6)(a.1)

For the purposes of this section, the pecuniary interests of a spouse or same-sex partner of an applicant shall be deemed to also be the pecuniary interests of the applicant.

2. Chapter 545 is further amended by adding the following:

§ 545-148N.1

Every owner of an ambassador taxicab licence shall operate his or her cab for a minimum of 36 hours during any seven-day period.

§ 545-148N.2

Despite Subsection N.1, the Executive Director, or his or her designate may exempt an owner of an ambassador taxicab licence from the minimum hours of operation required by Subsection N.1 where he or she is satisfied that:

(1) the owner is unable to operate his or her cab for the minimum required hours by reason of illness or vacation; and
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(2) the illness or vacation has been reported to the Municipal Licensing and Standards Division within two weeks of the vacation or illness.

ENACTED AND PASSED this 23rd day of May, A.D. 2003.

MEL LASTMAN,
Mayor

ULLI S. WATKISS
City Clerk

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