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## **CITY OF TORONTO**

## BY-LAW No. 1425-2007

To amend City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 545, Licensing, to clarify licensing requirements for vehicles transporting passengers to airports outside the City.

WHEREAS the City of Toronto Act, 2006 grants the City of Toronto the authority to enact by-laws for the licensing, regulating and governing of businesses wholly or partly carried on in the City of Toronto, and

WHEREAS section 545-2B(1) of the City of Toronto Municipal Code exempts owners and drivers of taxis from the requirement to have a license issued by the City if they are picking up passengers in the City of Toronto for transportation to an airport owned and operated by the Crown in right of Canada and the taxi bears a valid and subsisting plate issued for that airport by the federal Minister of Transport under the *Government Airport Concession Operations Regulations*, the *Department of Transport Act* (Canada); and

WHEREAS taxis picking up passengers in the City of Toronto for transportation to Lester B. Pearson International Airport are not governed by the exemption in section 545-2B(1) since Lester B. Pearson International Airport is not an airport operated by the Crown and the Minister of Transport does not issue permits under the *Government Airport Concession Operations Regulations* for vehicles operating at Lester B. Pearson International Airport; and

WHEREAS the language of the exemption in section 545-2B(1) of the City of Toronto Municipal Code has caused some confusion among members of the public who erroneously believe that taxis picking up passengers in the City and traveling to Lester B. Pearson International Airport do not require a license issued by the City; and

WHEREAS Council has determined that it is appropriate to clarify the Municipal Code to remove language that has no application to taxis or limousines taking passengers to Lester B. Pearson International Airport or any other airport that is outside of the City of Toronto that is not operated by the Crown;

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

- **1.** Subsection 2B(1) of Chapter 545-2, Licensing, is amended by removing the following words:
  - "....except where such conveyance is made to an airport owned and operated by the Crown in right of Canada situated outside the municipality by a cab rearing a valid and subsisting plate issued in respect of such airport under the Government Airport Concession Operators Regulations made under the *Department of Transport Act (Canada)*."

ENACTED AND PASSED this 13th day of December, A.D. 2007.

GLORIA LINDSAY LUBY,

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Deputy Speaker

City Clerk