CITY OF TORONTO

BY-LAW No. 497-2009

To amend City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 545, Licensing, to amend definition of Pedicabs.

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 pursuant to that authority, the City of Toronto licences pedicab owners and drivers for the purpose of consumer protection and public safety, and has done so since 1994; and

WHEREAS pedal-powered vehicles began operating in the City of Toronto and providing rides to the public in 2008; and

WHEREAS, for the purpose of consumer protection and public safety, the City wishes to ensure that the licensing requirements currently imposed on pedicabs operating in the City are also imposed on pedal-powered vehicles providing rides to the public;

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

1. Subsection 545-1, Definitions, of Article 1, General Licensing Provisions, Chapter 545, Licensing, is amended to:

   (a) insert the words “which may be propelled by human power or electric helper motor” after the words “muscular power”, and

   (b) delete the words “but does not include a bicycle as defined in the Highway Traffic Act,

   such that the definition of pedicab shall hereby read:

       “PEDICAB — A vehicle drawn, propelled or driven by human muscular power, with or without the assistance of an electric motor, and includes a pedal powered rickshaw.”

ENACTED AND PASSED this 30th day of April, A.D. 2009.

SANDRA BUSSIN, ULLI S. WATKISS
Speaker City Clerk

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