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We, as fellow gig workers, stand in solidarity with bike and cyclist couriers amidst the ongoing discussions surrounding micromobility regulations in our city. We are particularly concerned about recommendations #9 and #12, as they may further disadvantage gig workers without holding gig corporations accountable for their responsibilities.

Gig workers already face significant challenges, including employment precarity, low wages and lack of benefits. Introducing additional financial burdens would only exacerbate their struggles. Therefore, we urge decision-makers to prioritize measures that hold gig corporations accountable for providing essential support and protections to their employees.

It's imperative that gig corporations take responsibility for their workers' safety and well-being. This entails implementing comprehensive road safety training programs and ensuring adequate third-party liability insurance coverage for all workers. Corporations should not unfairly enriched at the expense of their workers' safety and financial security.

We implore decision-makers to craft a regulatory framework that acknowledges the realities faced by gig workers and strives to create a fair and just system. Holding gig corporations accountable is paramount in ensuring equitable treatment and protection for all gig workers.

Thank you for considering our perspective. We urge you to take proactive steps to support gig workers and enact regulations that prioritize their well-being and rights.

Sincerely,

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