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ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, thousands of rideshare drivers in Chicago have driver's licenses from outside Illinois, according to data from the Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection; and

WHEREAS, 625 ILCS 57/32 allows municipalities, including the City of Chicago, to enact regulations upon the rideshare industry above and beyond those enacted by the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, to provide for the effective, efficient, and safe operation of the rideshare industry, several states and cities require that rideshare drivers have driver's licenses from the state in which they drive and drive vehicles registered in the state in which they drive; now therefore

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:

SECTION 1. The above recitals are expressly incorporated herein and made part of this ordinance.

SECTION 2: Sec. 9-115 of the City of Chicago Municipal Code is hereby amended by interesting the following text underlined and deleting the text struck through.

(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)

9-115-100 Transportation network vehicles - Ownership and standards.

a) No licensee shall own, provide financing for the obtaining, leasing, or ownership of, or have a beneficial interest in transportation network vehicles.

b) In addition to all other applicable legal requirements, including the vehicle registration requirement in 625 ILCS 5/3-801, and, if applicable, Chapter 3-56 of this Code, it shall be unlawful for any person to operate or cause to be operated any transportation network vehicle unless such vehicle:

1) has a manufacturer's rated seating capacity of less than ten persons, including the transportation network driver;

2) has at least two doors and meets applicable Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards for vehicles of its size, type and proposed use;

3) is a coupe, sedan, or light-duty vehicle, including a van, minivan, sport utility vehicle, pickup truck, hatchback or convertible; and

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4) has not been issued the title class of "salvage," "rebuilt," "junk," "total loss," or any equivalent classification in any jurisdiction; and

5) has a valid Illinois license plate and vehicle registration issued by the Illinois Secretary of State to the driver of the vehicle.

(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)

9-115-150 Transportation network drivers - Requirements.

a) (1) No transportation network provider licensee shall engage any person as a transportation network driver unless the person possesses a valid transportation network chauffeur license, restricted chauffeur license, taxi chauffeur license, or as authorized by rule.

(2) No driver shall operate a transportation network vehicle unless the driver possesses a valid transportation network chauffeur license, restricted chauffeur license or taxi chauffeur license.

b) (1) Any transportation network provider licensee may accept an application, in a form prescribed by the Commissioner, for the issuance or renewal of a transportation network chauffeur license. An applicant is qualified for the issuance or renewal of a transportation network chauffeur license, if the applicant:

i) possesses and has possessed a valid Illinois State driver's license, ~~or a valid driver's license of another state, district or territory of the United States~~, for at least one year prior to applying to become a transportation network driver;

ii) is at least 21 years of age;

iii) has not been convicted of reckless driving, hit and run, or driving with a suspended or revoked license, and has not been convicted of or placed on supervision for two or more offenses involving traffic regulations governing the movement of vehicles, or whose Illinois driver's license has not been suspended or revoked pursuant to Section 6-206 of the Illinois Vehicle Code, codified at 625 ILCS 5/6-206, within the 12 months immediately prior to applying to become a transportation network driver;

iv) has successfully completed an online or in-person transportation network driver's training program approved annually by the Commissioner, as part of the license issuance or renewal application, and conducted by the licensee or other authorities approved by the commissioner. In addition to other applicable

requirements, such training program must cover topics related to providing service to people with disabilities;

v) has not, within the five years immediately preceding his application to be a driver, been either found guilty by a court of any jurisdiction, in custody, on parole, or under any other non-custodial supervision resulting from a finding or determination of guilt by a court of any

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jurisdiction for (A) the commission of any felony as defined by Article 2 of the Illinois Criminal Code of 2012, codified at 720 ILCS 5/2-0.5 et seq., (B) any crime involving moral turpitude, (C) the illegal sale or possession of any controlled substance, (D) indecent solicitation of a child or any criminal sexual abuse or similar crime, or (E) operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or narcotic drugs;

vi) has not had a public chauffeur license or restricted public chauffeur license suspended, revoked or non-renewed by the city within the five years immediately preceding his application to be a driver; and

vii) has not been listed as ineligible to be a transportation network driver by the Commissioner pursuant to Section 9-115-250(b) and rules promulgated thereto.,

SECTION 3: This ordinance shall take full force and effect January 1, 2020.

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