AN ORDINANCE

AMENDING ARTICLE I (GENERAL PROVISIONS), AND ARTICLE IX (TRANSPORTATION **NETWORK COMPANIES) TO CHAPTER 33 OF THE CITY CODE OF** SAN ANTONIO TO REVISE THE PROCEDURES FOR THE **OPERATION** OF **TRANSPORTATION NETWORK** VEHICLES AND **RE-ADOPTING** THE **EXISTING** PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS * * * * *

WHEREAS, vehicle for hire services allow people to visit the City of San Antonio for business and for pleasure, and enhance the enjoyment and experiences of those who visit by allowing access to the different areas of the City; and

WHEREAS, vehicle for hire services are likewise convenient and necessary for many residents of the City of San Antonio for business and pleasure, and for essential personal and family needs including food and medical care; and

WHEREAS, after careful consideration, the City Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of the City of San Antonio to modify certain of the provisions that apply to Chapter 33 of the City Code to provide for the operation by transportation network companies and re-adopt the existing penalties for violations; and

WHEREAS, in order to accomplish such revisions, it is necessary to modify City Code Chapter 33, Vehicles for Hire, in Articles I and IX; **NOW THEREFORE:**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. City Code Chapter 33, Articles I, Sec. 33-003, the definitions for "drivers permit," "ground transportation service," "transportation network company," and "vehicle permit" are hereby amended as stated in Attachment A, and Article IX is hereby amended in its entirety, as stated in Attachment B, which are incorporated herein in their entirety.

SECTION 2. The remainder of City Code Chapter 33 shall remain in full force and effect, save and except as amended by this Ordinance.

SECTION 3. Should any portion of this Ordinance, for any reason be held illegal, inoperative, invalid, unconstitutional or ineffective, the remainder shall, nevertheless, stand effective and valid as if it had been enacted or ordained without the portion held to be illegal, inoperative, invalid, unconstitutional, or ineffective.

SECTION 4. The publishers of the City Code of San Antonio, Texas are authorized to amend said Code to reflect the changes adopted herein and to correct typographical errors and to format and number paragraphs to conform to the existing Code.

SECTION 5. The City Clerk of the City of San Antonio is hereby directed to publish notice of this Ordinance as required by Section 17 of the Charter of the City of San Antonio and the laws of the State of Texas.

SECTION 6. This ordinance shall take effect April 1, 2015.

PASSED and APPROVED this 5thth day of March, 2015.

M A Y O R Ivy R. Taylor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

Martha G. Sepeda, Acting City Attorney