AN ORDINANCE

AMENDING ARTICLE I (GENERAL PROVISIONS) AND ARTICLE VIII (TAXICABS), TO CHAPTER 33 OF THE CITY CODE OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, BY DEFINING "OWNER/OPERATOR" AND PROVIDING FOR SINGLE TAXICAB OWNER/OPERATOR PERMITS

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 provisions of Chapter 33 of the City Code of San Antonio, Texas (City Code), to provide for single taxicab owner/operator permits; and

WHEREAS, in order to accomplish such changes it is necessary to amend the City Code, Chapter 33, Articles I and VIII; **NOW THEREFORE:**

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

SECTION 1. The City Code, Chapter 33, Article I, Sec. 33-003 is hereby amended to add the following definition: *"Owner/Operator* shall mean an individual person that has an agreement with the city to operate a taxicab service with a single vehicle under an owner/operator permit."

SECTION 2. The City Code, Chapter 33, Article VIII, is hereby amended as stated in accordance with Attachment A, with strikethroughs indicating deletions and underlines indicating additions, which attachment is incorporated herein in its entirety.

SECTION 3. The remainder of Chapter 33 of the City Code shall remain in full force and effect, save and except as amended by this ordinance.

SECTION 4. 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 5. The publishers of the City Code of San Antonio, Texas are authorized to amend said Code to reflect the changes adopted herein, to correct typographical errors and to format and number paragraphs to conform to the existing Code.

SECTION 6. 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 7. This ordinance shall take effect July 1, 2018.

PASSED and APPROVED this 31st day of May, 2018.

M A Y O R Ron Nirenberg

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

Andrew Segovia, City Attorney