

## San Diego and Imperial Counties Labor Council

## **Resolution to Support Taxi Integration into Public Transit**

Whereas local climate action plans call for greater use of mass transit to reduce air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions; and

Whereas the San Diego region has a publicly-regulated, lower emissions taxi industry that can increase bus and trolley ridership by providing first and last mile connections, making public transit more attractive and convenient; and

Whereas Uber and Lyft rideshare platforms seek to dominate and replace our public transit system with business models that exploit drivers, subvert labor laws, and operate in a manner that increases carbon emissions; and

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the San Diego-Imperial Counties Labor Council supports the first mile/last mile proposal by the United Taxi Workers of San Diego and UCSD Design Lab Just Transitions Initiative to create more convenient public transit and advance the goals of our region's climate action plans; and

Therefore, be it further resolved that the San Diego-Imperial Counties Labor Council supports public policies and programs that give priority to lower carbon, public sector transit solutions that prioritize workers' rights.

Recommended for adoption by the Environmental Caucus on February 2, 2022. Adopted by the San Diego-Imperial Counties Labor Council on March 23, 2022.

Sincerely,

Brigette Browning Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the San Diego & Imperial Counties Labor Council

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