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Consumer Protection and Enforcement Division
California Public Utilities Commission
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102-3214

RE: YMCA of Metropolitan Los Angeles Comments on Draft Resolution TL-19145

Dear CPUC Industry Division:

On behalf of the YMCA of Metropolitan Los Angeles, I urge you to support Cruise's Draft Resolution TL-19145 which would allow Cruise to expand its fared service 24/7 to serve the entire City of San Francisco. I am eager to learn more about how Cruise's efforts to provide clean, safe, and accessible transportation options may continue to positively impact San Franciscans and I look forward to the possibility of bringing this important technology to the Los Angeles region.

Our 26 branches stretch across over 100 miles of Los Angeles County, from Antelope Valley to San Pedro, and our membership community is 264,500 strong. As food security remains a growing problem across Los Angeles County, the Y remains committed to helping eliminate this epidemic in every zip code across the region. In 2020, we provided more than 1.5 million grab and go meals and hundreds of thousands of pounds of groceries to our food insecure neighbors. We understand that Cruise has used its cutting-edge technology to help organizations like ours serve those in need through its Cruise for Good program which allocates at least 1% of Cruise's zero-emission AV fleet in service of low-income and disadvantaged communities in areas in which it operates. Like the YMCA, Cruise has delivered millions of meals to households that fall below the San Francisco poverty line while making a positive contribution to the city and California's climate goals by offsetting over 103 metric tons of CO_2 emissions that would have otherwise been emitted if these deliveries had been made in gas-powered cars. I would welcome the opportunity to partner with Cruise to further serve the many children, families, and older adults that rely on the YMCA to meet their needs.

I urge the commission to vote to approve Cruise's application to fully expand its commercial services across San Francisco as soon as possible. With this expansion, Cruise will increase access to equitable transportation and together, we can continue to serve our most vulnerable communities while ensuring a clean and healthy environment for future generations.

I appreciate your time and attention to this item and am happy to answer any questions that you may have.

Sincerely,

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