CHINESE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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Douglas Ito, Director
Consumer Protection & Enforcement Division
California Public Utilities Commission
505 Van Ness Avenue
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RE: SF CHINESE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN SUPPORT OF CRUISE ADVICE LETTER 002

Dear Director Ito:

I am reaching out to share the Chinese Chamber of Commerce of San Francisco's support for Cruise's application to expand operations across the city of San Francisco 24/7. Cruise is a valuable partner for our organization, and we support the company's efforts to advance clean, accessible, and safe transportation solutions for city residents, visitors, and businesses alike.

The Chinese Chamber of Commerce is a century-old organization promoting Chinese American businesses and culture in San Francisco. We are dedicated to fostering a healthy and prosperous community in the nation's oldest Chinatown, from promoting and protecting small businesses to hosting cultural events to unify the community.

As small businesses continue to recover after years of economic hardship, it is exciting to see the opportunities Cruise's service can provide our members and communities. Through engagement with our organization, Cruise has shown how its self-driving vehicles will benefit our businesses, customers, and employees. Expanding Cruise's ridehail service will make it easier for residents and visitors to support the local economy by bringing customers to business districts like ours, and offering another transportation option for employees, resulting in more vibrant, thriving communities.

The Chinese Chamber of Commerce hosts the largest Chinese New Year festival and parade celebration in the country, which attracts tens of thousands of visitors, which Cruise has participated in for the last three years. Both San Francisco residents and tourists exploring the city benefit from easy-to-use and safe ways to get to and from these events, and we look forward to having Cruise's citywide service support their transportation needs.

For these reasons and more, we ask that the commission approve Cruise's application to expand 24/7 services citywide as soon as possible.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Cliff Rechtschaffen, Commissioner, CPUC
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