## SAN FRANCISCO MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

## **RESOLUTION No. 14-060**

WHEREAS, All taxi companies are reporting a shortage of taxi drivers in San Francisco; and,

WHEREAS, The shortage of drivers is due in part to recruitment by other for-hire transportation services and in part to the addition of 120 new medallions in 2013 and 200 new medallions in 2014; and,

WHEREAS, Staff requests authorization and retroactive approval of the waiver of the \$155.50 new driver permit application fee in fiscal year from April 1 through April 15; and,

WHEREAS, The shortage of taxi drivers means that available taxi vehicles are not providing transportation service; and,

WHEREAS, The Board previously authorized the Director of Transportation to waive new driver application fees through April 1, 2014; however the driver shortage has not been alleviated as of April 1; and,

WHEREAS, New driver application fees are increasing as of July 1, 2014 to cover costs of new driver drug and alcohol testing; and,

WHEREAS, Staff requests authorization to waive new driver permit application fee of \$155.50 through June 30, 2014, and \$252 beginning on July 1, 2014; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors authorizes the Director of Transportation to waive the new taxi driver permit application fees until, in the judgment of the Director of Transportation, the supply of drivers is adequate to fill available taxi shifts, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors retroactively approves the waiver of new driver permit application fees from April 1, 2014 through April 15, 2014.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of April 15, 2014.

Secretary to the Board of Directors San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency