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William M. Roche, Chairman Traffic & Parking Committee City of Somerville 93 Highland Avenue Somerville, MA 02145

RE: Section 13.1-13.60—Fare Increase—Taxi Cabs, Taxi Stands and Taxi Operators

## Dear Chairman Roche:

May I inform you that I am counsel to Green Cab, Inc., a longstanding Somerville business and owner of numerous taxi medallions within the City of Somerville.

It has been approximately five (5) years since a taxi fare increase has been allowed within the City of Somerville. In this economic climate, it would be fitting to allow an increase due to the increased costs of gasoline, insurance, and repairs.

I respectfully request that you schedule a hearing before the Traffic & Parking Committee to consider a proposed fare increase.

Your consideration is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Richard G. Di Girolamo