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Subject: FW: Support for Appeal of Tesla Robotaxi Garage Project at 825 Sansome Street
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Hello,

Please see below for communication from Michael Nulty regarding File No. 251239, which is Item No. 24 on today's Board of Supervisors meeting agenda.

File No. 251239: Hearing of persons interested in or objecting to the approval of a Conditional Use Authorization pursuant to Planning Code, Sections 210.1 and 303 for a proposed project at 825 Sansome Street (Assessor's Parcel Block No. 0164, Lot No. 003) identified in Planning Case No. 2025-008202CUA, issued by the Planning Commission by Motion No. 21868, dated November 13, 2025, that involves a change of use from the existing Public Parking Garage use with 96 parking spaces and the establishment of a private Fleet Charging use at the upper level (30 private EV chargers), a public Electric Vehicle Charging Location use (principally permitted) at the ground level (18 public EV chargers), and a Private Parking Garage use at the basement level at the subject property, an existing enclosed two-story, multi-level Public Parking Garage with a basement, in the C-2 (Community Business) Zoning District and 65-A Height and Bulk District, Washington-Broadway Special Use District, and Priority Equity Geographies Special Use District; and minor exterior alterations are also included as part of this project. (District 3) (Appellant: Mark Malouf) (Filed December 12, 2025)

Sincerely,

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Subject: Support for Appeal of Tesla Robotaxi Garage Project at 825 Sansome Street – Serious Concerns About Traffic Congestion and Neighborhood Impacts in Jackson Square

Dear Members of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

My name is Michael Nulty, and I am writing on behalf of the **Alliance for a Better District 6**, the longstanding voice advocating for improved quality of urban life in San Francisco's downtown core, including the vibrant Jackson Square neighborhood. We strongly support the appeal filed by the Teamsters regarding Tesla's proposed Robotaxi garage facility at 825 Sansome Street. As a community organization committed to protecting our neighborhoods from undue burdens, we share the serious concerns raised about turning this existing garage into a high-intensity stand for an unlicensed or emerging robotaxi program. The recent experiences with Waymo's operations in the area provide a clear and troubling precedent. We have witnessed firsthand—and documented through numerous resident reports—how Waymo's charging and staging locations, such as on Pacific Avenue, have contributed to significant traffic disruptions. These include vehicles idling for extended periods, blocking lanes, and exacerbating congestion in already narrow and busy streets. The December 2025 power outage further highlighted vulnerabilities in autonomous vehicle operations, where stalled robotaxis created hazardous gridlock, impeded emergency access, and disrupted normal traffic flow across the city. Jackson Square is a historic, pedestrian-oriented neighborhood with limited street capacity, high foot traffic, and sensitive commercial uses. Introducing a large-scale robotaxi facility here—especially with newly disclosed details about the intensity of use (including frequent vehicle ingress/egress, charging cycles, and fleet staging)—risks compounding these issues. Without robust, enforceable traffic mitigation measures, this project could lead to:

- Increased vehicle congestion during peak hours and fleet repositioning
- Safety hazards for pedestrians, cyclists, and nearby residents
- Negative impacts on local businesses reliant on accessible streets and deliveries
- Strain on already challenged parking and loading zones in the area

While we appreciate the continuance to February 3rd (originally scheduled for January 13th) at the request of Supervisor Sauter, this delay must be used to ensure full transparency and meaningful safeguards. We urge the Board to require comprehensive, independent traffic impact studies, strict operational limits (e.g., caps on daily vehicle movements, designated

entry/exit protocols, and real-time monitoring), and binding mitigation commitments from Tesla before any approval. The Alliance for a Better District 6 stands with labor partners, residents, and businesses in demanding that new technologies enhance—rather than undermine—our neighborhoods. Autonomous vehicle operations must not come at the expense of public safety, mobility, or quality of life in Jackson Square and Districts 3 and 6. We respectfully request that the Board uphold the appeal's concerns and condition any potential approval on strong, verifiable measures to protect our community. Thank you for your attention to this important matter. We look forward to participating in the February 3rd hearing and are available to provide additional input or resident testimony.
Sincerely,

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