

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

November 4, 2016

Mr. Logan Green, CEO
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Dear Mr. Green:

As members of the Congressional Black Caucus TECH2020 Diversity Task Force Initiative, we write to express our concerns with recent findings from a [study](#) conducted by the National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER) that suggests “significant evidence of racial discrimination,” against African American riders – particularly black men – using ride-sharing services like Lyft.

The Congressional Black Caucus (CBC) founded CBC TECH2020 in 2015 to bring together the best minds in the tech, non-profit, education, and public sectors to chart a path forward to increase African American diversity and inclusion at all levels of the technology industry. The lack of African American representation in tech means that many of our best and brightest – problem solvers, critical thinkers, and those that challenge conventional thinking – are not included. This means America has not reached its full innovation potential, and our global competitiveness suffers as a result. In addition to full representation of African Americans in the tech sector, CBC TECH2020 is also committed to ensuring African Americans and communities of color are not discriminated as end-users of technology products.

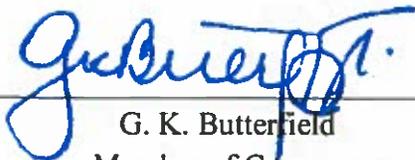
We are deeply concerned with the findings from the NBER study that suggest discrimination against African American riders attempting to use Lyft as a means of transportation. In Seattle, the study revealed that it takes longer for African American riders to have their ride requests accepted by Lyft drivers than White riders.

While we acknowledge the peer-to-peer, or sharing economy, can offer cheaper transportation options and employment opportunities to communities who might not otherwise have them, discrimination against users is unacceptable.

We are confident that you and Lyft will work expeditiously and diligently to address the concerns that we have raised. As such, we would look forward to meeting with you and your staff to establish an ongoing dialogue and to hear Lyft’s plan to address these concerns.

Thank you for your consideration on this very important issue.

Sincerely,



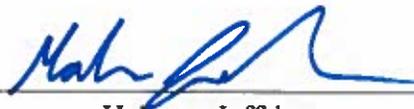
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