April 25, 2025

Hon. Cindy Abrams and Members of the Committee Committee on Public Safety Ohio House of Representatives

## RE: Support for HB 210 – Sale of Catalytic Converters

Dear Chair Abrams:

On behalf of our 2,000+ team members operating a fleet of more than 30,000 vehicles form a convenient network of nearly 200 convenient locations across the state of Ohio **I** am writing in support of **HB 210**. Enterprise Mobility is a leading provider of mobility solutions including car rental, fleet management, carsharing, vanpooling, car sales, truck rental, vehicle subscription, technology solutions and more to make travel easier and more convenient.

Enterprise Mobility is one of the largest private owners of passenger cars and trucks in the world, and few have experienced the scourge of the increase in catalytic converter crime as dramatically as we have. The rise in value of precious metals present in catalytic converters have created a target for thieves and black-market operators to exploit unsuspecting vehicle owners. And something needs to be done about it.

House Bill 210 endeavors to address catalytic converter thefts by enhancing criminal penalties for stealing <u>and</u> receiving stolen catalytic converters. Furthermore, by placing record keeping requirements on dealers and requiring purchasers to obtain proof of ownership, HB 210 closes loopholes that are being exploited by criminals today.

From our vantage point as a vehicle owner in all 50 states, we've seen a reduction in catalytic converter theft in states that have adopted the commonsense reforms that are included in HB 210.

We've been moving mobility forward for more than 65 years, and we remain committed to delivering exceptional service for our partners, customers and neighbors — innovating with intention to help meet their ever-changing needs. Adopting HB 210 will help my team members continue to serve Ohioans with minimal disruption from the thieves and criminals that cause our vehicles to be taken out of service and impose costs on our business and our customers.

Thank you for the opportunity to voice my support for this important legislation. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at <u>ross.a.esposito@em.com</u> or 440-245-3999.

Sincerely, Ross Esposito

Vice President General Manager