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PETITION

WHEREAS, the City of Austin is considering a franchise ordinance whereby the current $4.00 per month container fee for small, commercial containers will be replaced with a franchise fee (proposed as a minimum 4% per month of the gross billing,) as well as remove the rights of companies collecting solid waste locally to continue to operate in a competitive free market in Austin; and

WHEREAS, the undersigned believe such a large increase in rates and the potential loss of efficient free market competition for commercial waste disposal services will have a very detrimental impact on large and small businesses in the City of Austin.

NOW, BE IT KNOWN THAT THE UNDERSIGNED OPPOSE AND STRONGLY URGE THE CITY COUNCIL TO VOTE AGAINST THE PROPOSED SOLID WASTE HAULER FRANCHISE ORDINANCE AND ITS FEE.

Company/Organization	Signature	Address	Date