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The Honorable Jesse Bjorkman, Chair
Senate Committee on Labor & Commerce
120 4th Street
Juneau Alaska 98901-1182

RE: SB 35 An Act relating to transportation network and delivery network companies.

Dear Chair Bjorkman and Members of the Committee:

I am writing today to support HB 35 regarding transportation and delivery network companies.

TechNet is the national, bipartisan network of technology CEOs and senior executives that promotes the growth of the innovation economy by advocating a targeted policy agenda at the federal and 50-state level. TechNet's diverse membership includes dynamic American businesses ranging from startups to the most iconic companies on the planet and represents over 4.5 million employees and countless customers in the fields of information technology, artificial intelligence, e-commerce, the sharing and gig economies, advanced energy, transportation, cybersecurity, venture capital, and finance.

TechNet appreciates that the Alaska Legislature acted to clarify that people using transportation network companies (TNC) to offer rides to customers are not considered employees. By clarifying this in statute is a commonsense piece of legislation that ensure TNCs can continue to operate with clarity in Alaska. TNCs have become an important component of Alaskans needing to get to a destination, which sometimes can be challenging to do.

TechNet support SB 35 because it will provide the same clarity to people offering their services through a Delivery Network Company (DNC) platform. DNCs offer useful services to thousands of Alaskans residents and businesses. For businesses, DNCs allow access to additional customers. For residents, it provides convenience but also a needed lifeline when mobility is limited.

For these reasons, TechNet request the Senate Committee on Labor & Commerce move SB 35 forward for further consideration. I appreciate your consideration.

Sincerely,

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