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## **TechNet Statement on Congressional Anti-Piracy Legislation**

Washington, D.C. – TechNet, the bipartisan policy and political network of technology CEOs that promotes the growth of the innovation economy, today released the following statement by TechNet President and CEO Rey Ramsey on the measures aimed to protect piracy that are currently before the U.S. Congress:

“Everyone agrees that combatting online piracy is important. Unfortunately, these bills aren’t going to stop piracy. Both SOPA and PIPA are so broadly written that they will undermine the environment for innovation and job creation in the digital economy. It has become apparent to a growing number of people – with literally thousands upon thousands of individuals, entrepreneurs, businesses, grassroots organizations, mayors and others – that we need to stop what’s happening in Congress so we can do this the right way. Essentially, we need to slow down and get the substance right. Now is the time for everyone affected by this issue to come back to the table to work together on an approach that effectively combats online piracy without harming the system or the trust that has made the Internet a success.”

### About TechNet:

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