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Dear Senators:

Thank you for your continued leadership on artificial intelligence (AI) policy. Your AI Insight Forums have brought together some of the leading AI developers, executives, scientists, advocates, community leaders, workers, and national-security experts, many of whom are representatives from TechNet member companies. We write today in advance of your November 8 gathering on AI and Elections to share our recent comments to the Federal Elections Commission (FEC) on this policy intersection.

On October 16, TechNet submitted comments to the FEC urging it to clarify that the existing "fraudulent misrepresentation" doctrine applies to deliberately deceptive AI-generated campaign content. Voters need to have confidence that the information they receive about candidates is accurate and reliable in order to make informed decisions. We believe that candidates or their agents should be barred from utilizing AI to release deliberately misleading campaign content of any other candidate or political party.

AI has the potential to help us solve the greatest challenges of our time. It is being used to predict severe weather more accurately, protect critical infrastructure, defend against cyber threats, and accelerate the development of new medical treatments, including life-saving vaccines and ways to detect earlier signs of cancer. However, recognizing and addressing the genuine risks associated with AI is crucial for its responsible advancement. That includes preventing candidates and their agents from using AI to release deliberately misleading campaign content. TechNet believes it is in the public interest and good public policy for the FEC to move forward with clarifying that this existing statute applies to AI.

Thank you again for considering our thoughts and your continued important work on AI policy. Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or if TechNet can be a resource to you.

Sincerely,

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