To Chairwoman Williams & members of the committee,

I first want to thank and commend Rep. Tanzi for authoring this excellent pro-worker bill. Gig workers have become an essential and growing part of our workforce in recent years, especially during the pandemic. They deserve to be included as full employees with all the rights entitled to one. Trying to keep them classified as independent contractors is a cruel and completely discriminatory practice. We've seen how the industry have even gone as far to employ former California politicians to manipulate the voters there to repeal the law the state previously enacted like this. Since then, there have been countless cases of delivery driver or Uber drivers losing out on sorely needed income. Just recently, a driver was assaulted by multiple passengers who refused to wear masks. Women drivers have been harassed and even groped by male passengers. They deserve better than this. We should stand up for these workers where California failed. Please pass this bill.

Thank You,

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