



October 9, 2018

The Honorable John Thune
Chairman
U.S. Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Bill Nelson
Ranking Member
U.S. Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Gary Peters
U.S. Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senators Thune, Nelson, and Peters:

As the Global Policy Officer for Intel Corporation, I am writing on behalf of Intel to applaud your bipartisan leadership over the past two years to advance S. 1885, the AV START Act, and encourage the Senate to pass this important piece of legislation. We especially commend the AV START Act's recognition of the increasingly critical role that technology companies like Intel are playing in the development, testing and deployment of AVs.

Passage of the AV START Act is a critical step to vastly increasing safety on our nation's roads and highways, enhancing mobility for our elderly and disabled communities, improving transportation efficiency, and prioritizing U.S. competitiveness in the highly competitive global autonomous vehicle (AV) marketplace. It is so important to the country's societal and economic future that we want to underscore our continued support to help enable passage of this important legislation in the very near future. Furthermore, we look forward to working with you to reconcile the AV START Act with H.R. 3388, the SELF DRIVE Act, by year-end.

Intel has strongly supported efforts to advance the AV START Act since its inception, in order to ensure that the U.S. remains a technology leader in AV innovation and investment. We are in the midst of deploying a fleet of 100 self-driving test vehicles with our Mobileye automated driving business unit. In the U.S., we are testing AVs on public roads in Santa Clara and San Jose, California, and multiple of our Intel sites house AV engineering operations. Last year, we unveiled our Silicon Valley Innovation Center for Autonomous Driving. The Silicon Valley Lab joined Intel's other "Autonomous Garage Labs," including one in Arizona, where we are investing in AV research and development.

Intel has appreciated the opportunity to engage with you on the AV START Act from the beginning, and we are excited to be enabling this life-saving technology with our partners across the AV marketplace. Thank you for your ongoing efforts to pass this milestone legislation, which will ensure American leadership in the safe testing and deployment of this transformative technology.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Greg Pearson", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Greg Pearson
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Intel Corporation

cc: The Honorable Mitch McConnell
Majority Leader
U.S. Senate

The Honorable Charles Schumer
Minority Leader
U.S. Senate

The Honorable Roy Blunt
U.S. Senate

The Honorable Debbie Stabenow
U.S. Senate