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Please see Drive Forward's statement below regarding the expected passage of California's Proposition 22 by a double-digit margin. The statement can be attributed to me – *Michael Wolfe* - and my title is *Executive Director* of Drive Forward.

## Statement

"Gig-Workers have won a major victory in the state of California, protecting our independence, securing a fair wage, and granting us access to benefits. Because of overwhelming support of Gig-Workers, who talked with their customers, the voters of California are on track to pass Proposition 22 by a double-digit margin." said Michael Wolfe. "These key provisions are what drivers have been asking for over the last few years, instead California's legislators only listened to a small group back by powerful special interests. However, the voters of the liberal state of California have seen through the disinformation from the special interests, intent on taking away your independence for their financial gain.

## Background

- Drive Forward, a non-profit organization of 2000 Gig-Worker members, has long supported the creation of minimum earnings standards, access to benefits, and maintaining independence and flexibility for all gig-workers.
- California Proposition 22 was placed on the ballot in response to the misguided attempt by special interests to have Gig-workers misclassified as employees through Assembly Bill 5.
- Proposition 22 will create a minimum earnings standard, a benefit fund, and protect independence for Gig workers in California.