

# ARIZONA

## IN RECOGNITION OF THE ARIZONA AUTOMOTIVE WHOLESALERS' ASSOCIATION

WHEREAS, The automotive aftermarket industry encompasses all products and services purchased for vehicles after the original sale, including new, recycled, and remanufactured replacement parts, tires and accessories, repairs and the tools and equipment necessary to make the repairs; and

WHEREAS, The automotive aftermarket industry is a significant sector of the economy and with annual aftermarket sales in Arizona of approximately \$6 billion dollars; and

WHEREAS, The automotive aftermarket industry employs approximately 41,000 people in nearly 3,860 parts, warehouse, distributor, and retail establishments in Arizona; and

WHEREAS, The automotive aftermarket industry supplies the products and services that are fundamental to the proper maintenance and repair of more than 4.5 million vehicles in Arizona; and

WHEREAS, The automotive aftermarket industry historically leads the world in innovation for service equipment, repair procedures, maintenance programs, and safety equipment for the state's and nation's fleet of vehicles; and

WHEREAS, The automotive aftermarket industry promotes a long-running sustainable practice of recycling and utilizing remanufactured and recycled automobile parts to conserve materials and energy; and

WHEREAS, The automotive aftermarket industry contributes to greenhouse gas reductions by fostering awareness that a well-maintained vehicle leads to lower tailpipe emissions; and

WHEREAS, The automotive aftermarket industry provides consumers with choices for high-quality and affordable replacement parts and service for their vehicles; and

WHEREAS, The automotive aftermarket industry is committed to educating motorists about the benefits of regular vehicle maintenance and repair to ensure that vehicles are safer, more dependable and fuel efficient, by participating in consumer awareness initiatives such the Car Care Council's "Be Car Care Aware" campaign and the designation of April as National Car Care Month.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janice Kay Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby recognize the considerable contribution of automotive aftermarket industry to Arizona's economy, transportation system and environmental stewardship.