

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 363

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to welcome the Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers to Austin and to join them in celebrating March 10, 2009, as Auto Alliance Day at the State Capitol; and

WHEREAS, Formed in 1999, the Alliance has worked to initiate consensus-oriented dialogue between the industry and federal and state governments and other stakeholders to address shared objectives; and

WHEREAS, The Alliance has made enhancing vehicle safety a top priority by supporting voluntary commitments to address crash compatibility, driver focus guidelines, side airbags, and the goal of eliminating drunk driving; and

WHEREAS, The Alliance and its member companies have supported important environmental initiatives like the federal Tier II emissions standards, resulting in vehicles that measured by smog-forming emissions, are 99 percent cleaner than vehicles manufactured 30 years ago; and

WHEREAS, The Alliance offered critical support for the creation and implementation of the Texas Low Income Vehicle Repair and Replacement Assistance Program; and

WHEREAS, The Alliance is committed to meeting the goals of the landmark Energy Independence and Security Act, reducing carbon dioxide emissions by at least 30 percent and increasing fuel economy by at least 40 percent by 2020; and

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WHEREAS, The Alliance continues to help the auto industry transform itself to meet the critical goals of the changing world, and there are currently more than 1.1 million alternative fuel automobiles on Texas roads and highways, including hybrid electric, ethanol-capable flexible-fuel vehicles, and clean diesel vehicles; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, hereby applaud the contributions of the Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers and its 11 member companies for bringing cleaner, safer, and more fuel-efficient vehicles to Texas consumers; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for this outstanding organization as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 3, 2009.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate