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The Hon. John Thune
Majority Leader
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Hon. Chuck Schumer
Minority Leader
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Hon. Mike Johnson
Speaker of the House
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Hon. Hakeem Jeffries
Minority Leader
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Leader Thune, Leader Schumer, Mr. Speaker and Leader Jeffries:

The National Automobile Dealers Association (NADA) represents more than 16,000 franchised new car and truck dealerships with domestic and international nameplates in all 50 states. NADA members also engage in vehicle service, repair, and parts sales and employ more than 1.1 million people nationwide. NADA strongly supports enactment of H.R. 8730/S. 4429, the Connected Vehicle Security Act (CVSA) to permanently ban Chinese automaker entrants into the U.S. and protect consumer privacy, national security, and the U.S. economy against unfair competition. Given the broad bipartisan support for the legislation and the urgency of the threat, we urge Congress to pass the CVSA before the end of the year.

The growing presence of Chinese automotive manufacturers in the global market presents significant challenges to the American auto industry. China heavily subsidizes its domestic auto industry, creating an uneven playing field that would allow Chinese automakers to enter the U.S. market with artificially low prices and drive domestic competitors out of business. Once competition has been weakened or eliminated, the Chinese would likely raise prices and increase profits at the expense of consumers.

NADA appreciates Congress's efforts to advance the CVSA and related legislation. Modern vehicles are effectively computers on wheels, collecting and transmitting sensitive information about vehicle locations, driving habits, and other personal data. Given the Chinese government's authority to compel domestic companies to share information, allowing vehicles made by Chinese automakers into the U.S. market creates significant risks to consumer privacy and our national security.

The Senate bill (S. 4429) was reported out of the Senate Commerce, Transportation and Science Committee in July and has 60 cosponsors, and the House bill (H.R. 8730) currently has 150 cosponsors. A similar provision was approved by the House Energy and Commerce Committee in May and included in H.R. 7389, the Motor Vehicle Modernization Act.

Protecting American jobs, preserving a competitive domestic auto industry, safeguarding consumer privacy, and defending our national security are shared priorities that transcend partisan differences. We urge Congress to enact the CVSA before the 119th Congress adjourns sine die.

Thank you for your consideration and leadership on this critical auto industry issue.

Sincerely,



Mike Stanton
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cc: The Hon. Bernie Moreno, United States Senate
The Hon. Elissa Slotkin, United States Senate
The Hon. Brett Guthrie, Chair, House Energy & Commerce Committee
The Hon. Frank Pallone, Ranking Member, House Energy & Commerce Committee
The Hon. John Moolenaar, Chair, House Select Committee on the CCP
The Hon. Debbie Dingell, United States House of Representatives