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CAPA Adds Collision Repairer Tim Adelman to Board

Washington, DC—CAPA continues to broaden the expertise of its board with the election of Tim Adelman of ABRA, Inc. Mr. Adelman was elected to the collision repairer position vacated by Mike West, who recently retired and closed his repair shop business in Tukwila, Washington.

“Tim Adelman is a long-standing and respected leader in the collision repair industry and we are excited to have him join CAPA’s efforts to insure that the market has truly high quality alternative parts,” said Jack Gillis, CAPA’s Executive Director. “Tim will be a valuable resource as CAPA continues to expand on its diversity of standards and growth in part availability.”

Tim Adelman is the Executive Vice President – Business Development at ABRA, Inc. He opened the second ABRA repair center in 1985 as General Manager. Shortly thereafter, he became Vice President of Operations and in 1997 he was named Chief Operating Officer, a position he held until July 2004. During that time he oversaw ABRA’s growth from two repair centers to eighty-eight. In July 2004 he assumed the role of Executive Vice President of Business Development and works strategically and operationally with ABRA’s clients. Prior to joining ABRA, he was the Production & Quality Manager for Micromedics Corporation in St. Paul, Minnesota.

Mr. Adelman also serves on the Board of Trustees for the Collision Repair Education Foundation and Creative Living, a Columbus, Ohio, non-profit organization encouraging independent living for adults with severe physical disabilities. He maintains several strategic partnerships with Insurance Advisory Councils throughout the industry.

“Tim brings an extraordinary amount of ‘hands-on’ knowledge of the repair shop industry to CAPA’s Board. We are thrilled to have Tim join CAPA’s efforts protecting both the market and consumers from poor quality parts,” said Clark Plucinski, President of CAPA’s Board of Directors.

CAPA's Board includes:

Tim Adelman, ABRA, Inc.
Bill Brower, Liberty Mutual Insurance
Bill Daly, Allstate Insurance
Bill DeGrocco, GEICO
Jack Gillis, CAPA
Ben Kelley, Center for Auto Safety
John Palumbo, PartsChannel, Inc.
Clark Plucinski, Boyd's Group /Gerber
Ed Salamy, K.S.I. Trading Corp.
Ben Steinman, Ben's Auto Body
Carol Waldron, State Farm Mutual Insurance

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The Certified Automotive Parts Association, founded in 1987, is the nation's only independent, non-profit, certification organization for automotive crash parts whose sole purpose it to ensure that both consumers and the industry have the means to identify high quality parts via the CAPA Quality Seal. CAPA is an ANSI accredited standards developer for competitive crash repair parts. For more information see CAPAcertified.org.