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CAPA Congratulates CAA on 40 Years of Improving Auto Body Repair

Washington, DC – The Certified Automotive Parts Association (CAPA) congratulates the California Autobody Association for their longstanding commitment to improving auto body repair for the California consumer. “Forty years is a long time for any organization, but the vision of Al Estorga, Jack Caldwell and Darrell Mallott saw the importance of an association dedicated to educating its members and improving the industry,” said Jack Gillis, Executive Director of CAPA, a non-profit, independent, quality certification program.

“Early on CAPA benefited from the advice and suggestions of Al Estorga and Darrell Mallott as well as the skepticism of Jack Caldwell and Mark Ferrari. Most recently, CAA leaders Don Feeley and Kelly McCarty have invested many hours in improving the quality of CAPA certified parts,” added Gillis. Feeley and McCarty were the originators of a series of fair and unbiased part comparison tests that moved CAPA into the critically important Vehicle Test Fit process. Both have served on CAPA’s Technical Committee with Feeley as its current Chair.

The CAA Executive Committee is one of the few local collision repair associations who have invested their time in observing, first hand, the part quality certification process run by CAPA. CAPA appreciates the efforts of CAA and looks forward to their continued support of high quality, fairly priced competitive parts.

The Certified Automotive Parts Association, founded in 1987, is the nation’s only independent, non-profit, third party crash parts quality certification organization. CAPA certification identifies, for both consumers and the industry, those parts that meet our high quality standards for fit, form, finish, material content and corrosion resistance. For more information see www.capacertified.org.

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