

ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF MICHIGAN, I, Gretchen Whitmer, governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim

November 30, 2022

as

MICHIGAN AUTO HERITAGE DAY

WHEREAS, the MotorCities National Heritage Area, celebrating its 25th anniversary in 2023, is the largest concentration of auto-related sites, attractions and events in the world bringing millions of visitors and dollars into the state's economy each year; and,

WHEREAS, Michigan's distinctive automotive heritage is preserved and promoted by the MotorCities National Heritage Area Partnership, an affiliate of the National Park Service; and,

WHEREAS, MotorCities National Heritage Area tells the stories of how Michigan "put the world on wheels," throughout a region of 10,000 square miles in 16 Michigan counties with a population of more than 6 million people; and.

WHEREAS, MotorCities National Heritage Area uses these stories to advance the state culturally and economically; and,

WHEREAS, the MotorCities National Heritage Area annually generates nearly \$490 million in economic impact and supports \$40 million in tax revenue; and generates over 5,300 jobs; and,

WHEREAS, the economic strength of our state is connected integrally to the vitality of the automobile industry, which employs millions of workers; and,

WHEREAS, on this date I encourage residents to join with me in commemorating a Michigan industry deeply woven into Michigan's past, present and future;

 ${f NOW, THEREFORE}$, I, Gretchen Whitmer, governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim November 30, 2022, as Michigan Auto Heritage Day.

Gretchen Whitmer

Governor



