

STATEMENTS OF SUPPORT

Government Resolutions of Support

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| U.S. Senate | |
| Senate Resolution 486 | <i>In the Senate of the United States (for himself, Mr. Lugar, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Domenici, Mr. Levin, Mr. Brown, Mr. Ensign, Ms. Cantwell, and Mrs. Lincoln) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on March 12, 2008...To congratulate the X PRIZE Foundation for their efforts to inspire a new generation of viable, super-efficient vehicles that could help break the addiction of the United States to oil and stem the effects of climate change through the Automotive X PRIZE competition...Whereas the national security and economic prosperity of the United States demand that the United States moves toward a sustainable energy future...Whereas continued reliance on the use of greenhouse gas intensive-fuel may have significant economic and political impacts as the effects of global climate change can take hold...Whereas breakthroughs are often achieved by the free market fueling the entrepreneurial spirit of inventors and investors...Now, therefore be it Resolved, That it is the sense of the Senate that the Senate commends the leadership of the X PRIZE Foundation...congratulates the X PRIZE Foundation on the innovation and vision of the Foundation to bring together some of the finest minds in government, nongovernment, institutions of higher education, and industry to advise and participate in the Automotive X PRIZE competition; and applauds the ongoing commitment of the X PRIZE Foundation for encouraging solutions to some of the greatest challenges facing humanity, as exemplified in the Automotive X PRIZE.</i> |
| Approved March 12, 2008 | |
| U.S. House of Representatives | |
| House Resolution 907 | <i>In the House of Representatives...Mr. Daniel E. Lungren of California submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on February 4, 2008...Congratulating the X PRIZE Foundation's leadership in inspiring a new generation of viable, super-efficient vehicles...Whereas the National security and economic prosperity of the United States demand that we move toward a sustainable energy future...Whereas continued reliance on the use of greenhouse gas intensive fuels may impact global climate change...Whereas average fuel economy in the United States has increased slowly during the last 20 years...Whereas breakthroughs are often achieved by the free market fueling the entrepreneurial spirit of inventors and investors...Resolved, That the United States House of Representatives—congratulates the X PRIZE Foundation's leadership for inspiring a new generation of viable, super-efficient vehicles that help break our addiction to oil through the Automotive X PRIZE competition...and applauds the X PRIZE Foundation's ongoing commitment to find solutions to some of humanity's greatest challenges as exemplified in the Automotive X PRIZE.</i> |
| Approved February 4, 2008 | |

Government Agencies



"The Department's collaboration with the Automotive X PRIZE and Discovery Education leverages private sector expertise to educate and engage the public about technologies to transform our transportation sector. Together, we can inspire all Americans – including teachers, students, vehicle designers, and drivers – to join us in designing and operating a new generation of vehicles that save energy and reduce greenhouse gas emissions."

- David E. Rodgers
Director for Strategic Planning and Analysis
Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy
U.S. Department of Energy



C.A.R.B.

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) supports the innovative approach of the Automotive X PRIZE to focus capital, companies, and consumers on the important goal of bringing the cleanest vehicles to market. CARB believes that every citizen needs to take action to reduce their vehicle's environmental impact. By inspiring a new generation of vehicles, and giving consumers many vehicle options, we believe the Automotive X PRIZE can assist CARB in fulfilling our goals of protecting public health, providing innovative approaches for complying with emissions regulations, and providing leadership in enforcing those regulations..

- California Air Resources Board



I applaud your organization for developing this Automotive X PRIZE challenge for significant improvement in fuel economy and for ensuring that safety is an important criterion in the contest. We wish you the best of luck and are please to offer our support to the contest.

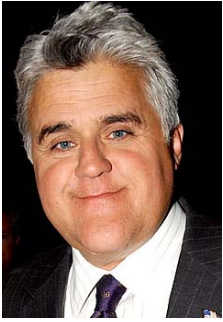
- Nicole R. Nason
Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Individuals



I was encouraged to learn that eighty percent of the... vehicles are from the U.S. I'm also happy to learn that your plans include an educational component to help generate demand for super-efficient vehicles, while informing the public about the underlying issues. The Progressive Automotive X PRIZE is just the kind of public-private partnership needed to inspire a new generation of entrepreneurs to help solve the climate crisis.

- Al Gore
Former Vice President, United States of America



I'm very excited about this Automotive X PRIZE because where we are in this century is about where we were in the last century...When you go back to the Model T, or any of those cars, they were looking for the magic 25 to 35 MPG, just like we are now. Well, that's not good anymore. Now we've got too many cars and too much blue smoke. So what we want to do is get rid of the blue smoke, have something that is fun, sexy, gets 100 MPG, and is environmentally friendly, and that's what this is all about.

- Jay Leno
Host, The Tonight Show



I...offer my praise for your work on developing the Automotive X PRIZE competition in the hopes of inspiring a new generation of efficient, clean and viable vehicles. In the fight to stem the effects of climate change and reduce our dependence on oil, I am confident that a multimillion-dollar prize for the teams that win a stage race for these efficient and desirable vehicles will help push much-needed progress. California is a world leader in the effort to reduce the harmful emissions, including those from passenger cars, that contribute to global climate change. Efficient vehicle technologies available to Californian and global consumers will help us go even farther in that all-important work. I commend your efforts and believe that, in meeting the challenge you have set forth, entrepreneurial teams from California and around the world will help lead the way to a more sustainable transportation future while creating jobs and expanding the economy.

- Arnold Schwarzenegger
Governor, State of California



A competition to advance commercially viable, energy efficient and climate friendly vehicles can inspire the discovery of critically needed breakthrough technologies to meet these goals. As Governor of the state that puts the world on wheels, I know that Michigan has the knowledge and know-how to make these innovations a reality, and it is likely that our best and brightest will be well represented at the starting line when the stage race begins.

- Jennifer Granholm
Governor, State of Michigan



Dear Mr. Renwick -- Congratulations on The Progressive Corporation's sponsorship of the Automotive X PRIZE. It is quite fitting that an Ohio company would lead this innovative initiative to bring the next generation of automobiles to our roads. The wonderful challenge of the \$10,000,000 prize and anticipation of the great automotive races bring a spirit of excitement to the enormous task before us. America cannot wait a year more to develop and realize our potential in the new energy economy. You know that we share your vision of manufacturing based on advanced energy strategies. No state in America is better positioned than Ohio to link a history of automotive manufacturing with emerging of advanced energy technologies.

- Ted Strickland
Governor, State of Ohio

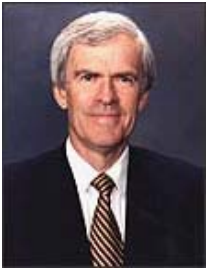


- Lee Fisher
Lt. Governor of Ohio
Director, Ohio Department of Development



Congratulations for the X PRIZE Foundation's success in stimulating innovation through competition. Since the 2004 award of the Ansari X PRIZE, I have admired the Foundation's dedication to engaging the world's most exciting frontiers, from space flight to super-efficient vehicles. Given the economic, environmental, and national security implications of our continued reliance on foreign oil, I believe your newest competition could not come at a more opportune time.

- Bill Richardson
Governor, State of New Mexico



The level of American innovation and entrepreneurship we're seeing in the Automotive X PRIZE is encouraging... It's also a positive response to many of the challenges confronting the U.S. auto industry. I applaud these teams for the important work they're doing for our nation's energy future.

- Jeff Bingaman
United States Senator for New Mexico (D)



United States national security and economic prosperity demand that we move toward a sustainable energy future...the global trend of foreign governments asserting greater control over oil reserves allows unfriendly regimes to use their energy exports as leverage against the United States and our allies. Establishment of the Automotive X PRIZE demonstrates remarkable vision and leadership. I am particularly encouraged that development of the prize benefits from insights of a diverse group of government, non-government, university and industry representatives.

- Richard G. Lugar
United States Senator for Indiana (R)



As policymakers, we value individuals and organizations that look for innovative ways to find answers to some of society's most challenging questions. The federal government certainly has a role to play in helping to find these solutions. However, we, along with many of our colleagues, also recognize that non-governmental organizations can often spur scientific and technological advances that can be a significant part of allowing our nation to address pressing issues. The ingenuity and innovation (of) the Automotive XPRIZE has the potential to revolutionize the automobile industry, help our nation secure energy dependence, and mitigate carbon emissions.

- Sherrod Brown
United States Senator for Ohio (D)

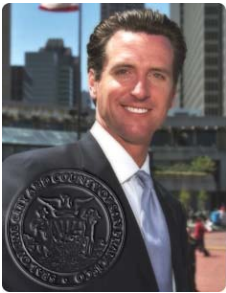


- George Voinovich
United States Senator for Ohio (R)



The Progressive Automotive X PRIZE is an excellent example of how the private sector can spur solutions to our most complex challenges...Development of a super-efficient car would be a major step forward in the fight against global warming – and it would help us reach our goal of cutting greenhouse gas emissions in New York City by 30% by 2030. To maximize national and international awareness of the X PRIZE, I am pleased to announce that New York will be the starting point for the Progressive Automotive X PRIZE race next year.

- Michael Bloomberg
Mayor, New York City



I am certain that the Automotive X PRIZE will do even more to inspire a new generation of fuel-efficient cars and further advance the concept of sustainable transportation...please know that I intend for San Francisco to participate in the RFP process and compete to win one of the Host City positions.

- Gavin Newsom
Mayor, City of San Francisco



I congratulate you on the creation of the Automotive X PRIZE, which will inspire a new generation of super-efficient cars. Ensuring that more fuel-efficient vehicles become available to consumers is absolutely critical to Texas, this nation and the world. Perhaps even more than your first X PRIZE which opened space flight, the Automotive X PRIZE will be known in history as the beginning of a new era of sustainable transportation.

- Bill White
Mayor, Houston, TX



*Today, more than ever before, we desperately need leaders to create real climate change solutions. The Automotive X PRIZE is just the sort of brave, innovative solution that can motivate leaders worldwide to cross boundaries and break through the barriers that have prevented super-efficient cars from hitting the market. What is so valuable about the Automotive X PRIZE is their focus on real cars. No one can read my book, *Lives Per Gallon*, and come away thinking that the car companies will build 100 MPG cars fast enough or without significant pressure. The Automotive X PRIZE is applying focused pressure to create action, make heroes, and give everyone the chance to make a difference by driving 100 MPG vehicles.*

- Terry Tamminen
Author of *Lives Per Gallon: The True Cost of Our Oil Addiction*; former
Secretary of the California EPA and special advisor to Governor Schwarzenegger



I really believe that right now, public assumptions about the future are running ahead of some of our policy makers and the mainstream auto industry. The Automotive X PRIZE does have a real opportunity to help the public understand the complexity of energy efficiency and in so doing help them demand more of the manufacturers based on knowledge and logic rather than knee-jerk action.

- Geoff Wardle
Associate Chair and Director of Mobility Research, Art Center College of Design

Organizations



We're delighted to be teaming up with the X PRIZE Foundation on this very exciting competition. We think this is a great way to encourage the creation of new and more fuel-efficient vehicles.

- David Champion
Senior Director Auto Test Division, Consumer Reports



The Sierra Club has long championed higher fuel economy standards for America's cars and light trucks, which emit twenty percent of all carbon dioxide pollution in the U.S. The technology exists today to make every car, SUV and pickup go further on a gallon of gas. The question is: what will the technologies of tomorrow be? As the threat from global warming looms over our planet, our country, and our consciousness, we need to inspire innovation that dramatically ratchets down these emissions. The Sierra Club recognizes the Automotive X PRIZE as an opportunity to drive automotive ingenuity and technological evolution to the next level. When technologies from this competition translate into affordable, marketable vehicle advancements that make a real difference in the automobiles we buy and drive we will all be winners.

- Carl Pope
Executive Director, Sierra Club



NRDC believes that in order to solve global warming and cut our oil dependency, the auto industry must rapidly adopt the next generation of vehicle technologies - advance power trains, lightweight materials, and renewable fuels. NRDC supports the Automotive X PRIZE as an innovative method to tap into the entrepreneurial spirit of America's technological prowess, and accelerate the introduction of climate-friendly cars. The real winners of the Automotive X PRIZE will be the health of our planet and of our children.

- Frances Beinecke
President, Natural Resources Defense Council



The Union of Concerned Scientists and scientists around the world know that global warming is one of the most serious challenges facing us today. Any serious effort to protect our climate must reduce emissions from cars and trucks. Yet for too long, automakers have failed to bring together available technologies that could dramatically reduce global warming pollution. That's why the Union of Concerned Scientists proudly supports the Automotive X PRIZE, which will inspire a new generation of clean and efficient vehicles that will help bring promising technologies to market, create new jobs, can reduce our dependence on oil, and save American consumers billions of dollars.

- Union of Concerned Scientists



The Consumer Federation of America supports the Automotive X PRIZE as an effective means to speed up the development of new technology to improve vehicle fuel economy. The Automotive X PRIZE is taking one of our country's most treasured values, competition, and using it to bring about change, protect our pocketbooks, reduce our dependence on foreign oil, and bring about a better environment for our children. By serving as a catalyst for American ingenuity, the Automotive X PRIZE will stimulate innovation in vehicle fuel efficiency for the good of America.

- Consumer Federation of America



Global warming is the single largest threat to wildlife across our nation and the world. The National Wildlife Federation believes that helping wildlife face this challenge first and foremost requires taking steps to reduce global warming pollution. If we can cut greenhouse gas emissions by about 80% by 2050, or just 2% per year, we can dramatically reduce the scope of impacts. Curbing our emissions will require efforts across all sectors of our economy, not least among them the automotive industry. NWF endorses the Automotive X PRIZE as an exciting and innovative way to harness American ingenuity to seek real-world solutions to global warming.

- National Wildlife Federation



"The Apollo Alliance endorses the Automotive X PRIZE and its goals of breaking our addiction to oil and stemming the negative effects of climate change by inspiring a new generation of ultra-fuel-efficient vehicles. This grand challenge embodies America's can-do spirit and will help lay the foundation of the new clean energy economy by encouraging innovators and entrepreneurs to develop the energy solutions of tomorrow."

- Apollo Alliance



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- California Air Resources Board



Global Green USA supports the efforts of the Automotive X PRIZE to focus consumer, industry and government attention on the viability and necessity of clean transportation now. The 450 million vehicles on the road today account for half of the world's total consumption, generate nearly one fifth of greenhouse gas emissions, and have pervasive effects on land use, air quality and our health.

By inspiring practical, affordable, yet radically cleaner and more efficient vehicle technology, and by educating the public on smart buying and driving behavior, the Automotive X PRIZE can make a huge difference.

For the past five years Global Green USA has helped make clean cars cool by taking Oscar nominees to the Academy Awards in fuel efficient hybrids instead of gas guzzling limousines. Unfortunately, there are only a handful of fuel-efficient vehicles currently available, and today's car Manufacturers are not offering the cars that the public is demanding. The Automotive X PRIZE has the opportunity to inspire real change.

- Global Green USA



We can go to the moon, but we can't drive to the grocery store in a car that gets over 100 miles per gallon? How did we come to believe that hulking, unsafe, top-heavy vehicles that bow in submission to oil barons and dictators are really the best we can do? The time for action is now, and the Automotive X PRIZE has thrown down the gauntlet. Heroes wanted. The Automotive X PRIZE is perhaps the greatest idea of the century, and the dreamers and inventors among us are about to throw status quo in the trunk and become the brave few that drive toward real answers, not more excuses.

- John Passacantando
Executive Director, Greenpeace USA



CALSTART is pleased to endorse the Automotive X PRIZE. Transforming the transportation energy situation is an enormous and essential global endeavor. We're beginning to see the enormous transportation energy change. The entrepreneurial activity encouraged by the Automotive X PRIZE can help us accelerate the pace of change. We view the Automotive X PRIZE as one of the key tools in the toolkit to move us toward a more economically and environmentally sustainable transportation future. We look forward to working closely with the Automotive X PRIZE and others partners to make this transformation.

- John Boesel
President & CEO, CALSTART



Environment Now is dedicated to making measurable improvements to our ecosystems. The Automotive X PRIZE is an innovative attempt to leverage competitive enterprise to address the most pressing environmental concern of our time. It is particularly impressive for its thorough visioning of a more sustainable future for the automobile, its use of a model of change that has already been proven to accelerate innovation, and its potential to produce a tangible, effective solution.

- Terry O'Day
Executive Director, Environment Now