

National Lieutenant Governors Association

1 NLGA Consensus Resolution in Recognition of Tire Safety Awareness

- 2 WHEREAS, data from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) indicates that U.S.
- 3 motorists traveled more than 3.3 trillion miles on tires in 2024, underscoring the critical
- 4 role of tire maintenance in road safety, and
- 5 WHEREAS, proper tire maintenance—including maintaining correct tire pressure,
- 6 periodic rotation and balancing, and regular inspections—helps prevent irregular wear,
- 7 improves handling, and enhances overall vehicle safety, and
- 8 WHEREAS, excessively worn tires are more susceptible to punctures and hydroplaning¹
- 9 in wet conditions, and proper tread depth is essential for maintaining traction and
- 10 control, and
- 11 WHEREAS, underinflated tires are a leading cause of tire failure, which can result in
- 12 reduced fuel efficiency, increased stress on tires, and difficulty controlling a vehicle, while
- 13 overinflated tires are more prone to damage from road hazards such as potholes, and
- 14 WHEREAS, the U.S. Tire Manufacturers Association recommends that drivers regularly
- 15 check their tire tread depth, rotate and align their tires properly, and measure tire
- 16 pressure monthly using a gauge while the tires are cold to ensure safe and efficient
- 17 vehicle operation, and
- 18 WHEREAS, a vehicle's recommended tire pressure can be found on the driver's side door
- 19 jamb and in the owner's manual, and motorists should regularly inspect their tires for
- visible damage such as cuts, cracks, or punctures, seeking professional assistance whennecessary.
- 22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the National Lieutenant Governors
- 23 Association hereby recognizes the importance of regularly inspecting and maintaining a
- 24 vehicle's tires.

¹<u>https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/policyinformation/statistics/2023/5_overview.cfm</u>

- 25 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the National Lieutenant Governors Association
- 26 encourages motorists to periodically inspect and maintain their vehicle tires, including
- 27 the spare.
- 28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the National Lieutenant Governors Association
- 29 recognizes National Tire Safety Week annually, each year that this resolution is in effect.
- 30 **ADOPTED**, this 10th day of April 2025
- 31 **Co-Sponsors:** Colorado Lt. Governor Dianne Primavera (D), Lt Governor John Rodgers (R)
- 32 Proposed for the docket by: U.S. Tire Manufacturers Association