



Preserving consumer choice and affordable repair in the automotive collision parts industry

## CAR COALITION KEY PRINCIPLES

The CAR Coalition believes federal legislation regarding consumer choice in auto repair and access to vehicle data must meet the following key principles:



### **Safety First**

Independent auto parts manufacturers and insurers prioritize personal and vehicle and data safety in all that they do. Any federal legislation on this issue must ensure consumer safety is paramount and built into any data sharing platform.



### **Empower Consumer Choices**

Consumers need and deserve more choices, not fewer, when it comes to vehicle repair. Giving consumers the ability to control their vehicle data allows them to decide how and where they repair their vehicles. Any federal legislation must ensure a level playing field in the industry so consumers can benefit.



### **Foster Industry Competition**

Competition motivates repairers and manufacturers to earn the business of consumers through high quality service and materials. Federal legislation should foster competition, not stifle it. Any legislation must ensure independently produced parts have equal opportunity in the marketplace.



### **Keep Consumer Costs Low**

Greater competition and choice helps keep costs low for consumers. A vehicle is often one of a consumer's most significant investments. They deserve the ability to maintain that investment as they see fit. Any federal legislation must put consumers, not manufacturers first.



