



## Advance Auto Parts, Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office and Pineville Police Department Partner to Promote Roadway Safety

New "Advancing Our Roads" initiative helps motorists address vehicle equipment issues

Raleigh and Mecklenburg County, N.C. (Jan. 19, 2024) – Advance Auto Parts (NYSE: AAP), a leading automotive aftermarket parts provider, has joined forces with Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) and Pineville Police Department (PPD) to promote roadway safety for local motorists. The announcement will be made at 1 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 19, at Advance's store in Pineville at 502 N. Polk Street.

During the event, Advance's store team will announce a donation of \$25 Advance gift cards to both agencies, with MCSO receiving \$2,500 and PPD \$500 in gift cards. When law enforcement observes a minor vehicle equipment infraction such as a nonfunctioning headlight or taillight, the sheriff's deputy or police officer can choose to issue the motorist a gift card rather than a ticket or citation. The program encourages motorists to use their gift card to purchase a replacement bulb or other part to safely repair their vehicles.

"Our team in Charlotte is thrilled to partner with local law enforcement in promoting roadway safety across Mecklenburg County," said Angelo Fonseca, Advance's district manager. "We're thankful for this opportunity to work alongside Sheriff McFadden and the Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office as well as Pineville Police Department to make a meaningful difference. You never know what people are facing in their everyday lives, and the bright spot of receiving a gift card to fix their vehicle may make all the difference in the world."

"Embarking on a new partnership with Advance Auto Parts is a source of excitement for us," said Sheriff McFadden. "I believe this initiative will play an important role in keeping Mecklenburg County roads safe and will demonstrate that not every interaction with law enforcement has to be negative."

While Advance debuted the program in 2020, it's the company's first "Advancing Our Roads" gift card program in the greater Charlotte area.

Motorists that receive a gift card may use the card at Advance's location in Pineville, across Mecklenburg County or online at AdvanceAutoParts.com.

## **About Advance Auto Parts**

Advance Auto Parts, Inc. is a leading automotive aftermarket parts provider that serves both professional installer and do-it-yourself customers. As of October 7, 2023, Advance operated 4,785 stores and 320 Worldpac branches primarily within the United States, with additional locations in Canada, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. The company also served 1,307 independently owned Carquest branded stores across these locations in addition to Mexico and various Caribbean islands. Additional information about Advance, including employment





opportunities, customer services, and online shopping for parts, accessories and other offerings can be found at www.AdvanceAutoParts.com.

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