# **TIME And Ally Financial Honor 47 Dealers**

## 47 Dealers Win National Recognition for Community Service and Industry Accomplishments

NEW YORK, Nov. 8, 2021 /<u>PRNewswire</u>/ -- A select group of 47 business leaders from across the country received nominations for 2022 TIME Dealer of the Year. The nominees will be honored at the 105<sup>th</sup> annual National Automobile Dealers Association (NADA) Show in Las Vegas on March 11, 2022, where the winner will be announced by Viktoria Degtar, Global Chief Revenue Officer, TIME, and Doug Timmerman, President of Dealer Financial Services, Ally Financial.

The TIME Dealer of the Year award is one of the automobile industry's most prestigious and highly coveted honors. Chosen from more than 16,000 franchised dealers nationwide, recipients are among the nation's most successful auto dealers who also demonstrate a long-standing commitment to community service.

"In cities and towns across the country, auto dealers make a big economic impact—going the extra mile to strengthen their communities," Timmerman said. "It's an incredible achievement to be nominated for TIME Dealer of the Year. The program not only recognizes leadership in business and customer service, but also a commitment to giving back and doing it right."

Below are this year's nominees for the 53<sup>rd</sup> annual award:

- Gary Ackerman, Gaudin Ford, Las Vegas
- John Billard, Hempstead Ford Lincoln, Hempstead, NY
- Cary Bosak, Bosak Motors Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram, Merrillville, Ind.
- Virginia Bowden, McClinton Chevrolet, Parkersburg, WV
- Steve Brown, Brown Motors, Petoskey, Mich.
- Gregg Ciocca, Ciocca Ford of Quakertown, Quakertown, Pa.
- Jason Courter, Honda Auto Center of Bellevue, Bellevue, Wa.
- Wyndi Damato, Fitzgerald Ford Lincoln, Fitzergald, Ga.
- Bill Dodge Auto Group, Westbrook, Maine
- Erik Day, Warren Henry Auto Group, North Miami, Fla.
- Winfred Dodge, Bill Dodge Auto Group, Westbrook, Maine
- Wayne Evans, Prairie Motors, Stanley, ND
- Ray Fregia Jr., Courtesy Ford Lincoln, Danville, Ill.
- Bob Giles, Giles Automotive, Lafayette, La.
- Terry Gilmore, Paradise Chevrolet Cadillac, Temecula, Calif.
- James Gramm, Safford Chrysler Jeep Dodge Ram, Springfield, Springfield, Va.
- Bill Griffis, Griffis Motors, Philadelphia, Miss.
- Kelly Hirning, Hirning Buick GMC, Pocatello, Idaho
- Jason Hoover, Midway Motors, McPherson, Kan.
- Jack Kain Sr., Jack Kain Ford, Versailles, Ky.
- Gregg Kunes, Kunes Country Ford-Lincoln, Delavan, Wisc.
- Steven Lillestol, Thief River Ford, Inc., Thief River Falls, Minn.
- Christopher Lindsay, Lindsay Chevrolet, Woodbridge, Va.
- Daniel Luneau, Handy Toyota, St. Albans, Vt.
- Doug McElveen, McElveen Buick GMC, Summerville, SC
- Pat McGrath, Pat McGrath Chevyland, Cedar Rapids, Iowa
- David McNeill, McNeill Chevrolet Buick Nissan of Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro, NC
- J. Douglas North, North Brothers Ford, Inc., Westland, Mich.
- Todd C. Ouellette Sr., Long-Lewis Ford of the Shoals, Muscle Shoals, Ala.
- Curtis Pascarella, Phillips Chevrolet, Frankfort, Ill.
- Tony Pierce, Snowy Mountain Motors, Lewistown, Mont.
- John Platek, Betley Chevrolet, Inc., Derry, NH
- Daniel Reineke, Reineke's Tiffin Ford Lincoln, Inc., Tiffin, Ohio
- Bob Rogers, Bob Rogers Chevrolet, Paris, Ark.
- Michael Schulte, Schulte Subaru, Sioux Falls, SD
- Dennis Schworer Honda Cars of Bellevue, Bellevue, Neb.
- Robert Serpentini Jr., Serpentini Chevrolet of Strongville, Strongville, Ohio
- Joseph Shaker, Wellesley Mazda, Wellesley, Mass.
- Robert Sickel, Pine Belt Chevrolet, Lakewood, NJ
- Bob Siracusano, Sawyer Motors, Saugerties, NY
- Brad Sowers, Jim Butler Chevrolet, Fenton, Mo.
- Michael Stoebner, Honda Windward, Kaneohe, Hawaii
- Annette Sykora, Smith South Plains Ford Lincoln, Levelland, Texas

- Joseph Thurby Jr., Thurby's Riverside Ford, Markleysburg, Pa.
- Tim Urness, C.H. Urness Motors, The Dalles, Ore.
- S. Mitchell Walters, Friendship Ford, Bristol, Tenn.
- Chris H. Wilson, Wilson Motor Company, Logan, Utah
- Phil Winslow, Winslow BMW of Colorado Springs, Colorado Springs, Colo.

Dealers are nominated by the executives of state and metro dealer associations. A panel of faculty members from the Tauber Institute for Global Operations at the University of Michigan will select one finalist from each of the four NADA regions and one national Dealer of the Year.

In its eleventh year as exclusive sponsor, Ally will celebrate dealer nominees and their community efforts by contributing \$1,000 to each nominee's 501(c)3 charity of choice. In addition, Ally will honor the four finalists with \$5,000 donations to their favorite charities and a \$10,000 donation will be made to the charity selected by the national winner. Nominees will be recognized on <u>AllyDealerHeroes.com</u>, which highlights the philanthropic contributions and achievements of TIME Dealer of the Year nominees.

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#### About the NADA Show

The annual NADA Show brings together more than 20,000 franchised dealers and their employees, industry leaders, manufacturers and exhibitors to learn about the latest auto industry tools, trends, products and technologies.

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