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Indiana Manufacturers Association Welcomes Honda to Indiana, the Most Manufacturing-Intensive State in the Nation

Indianapolis –The Indiana Manufacturers Association (IMA) welcomed Honda to Indiana at a press conference held today announcing Honda's decision to build its newest vehicle assembly plant in Greensburg, Indiana.

According to IMA President Pat Kiely, "This announcement today is another success in a series of announcements the governor has made concerning business investment and job growth."

Honda announced the new facility will be an investment of \$550 million and will employ 2,000 new Honda associates. "The impact of today's Honda decision is far greater than the direct employment at the Honda plant. Increases in investment and employment in other sectors will also be spurred by today's announcement. Growth of suppliers and the service sector will add additional opportunities for Southeastern Indiana and the entire state," Mr. Kiely stated.

Mr. Kiely further added, "This is another example of the positive changes that have been made to Indiana's business climate. Changes the IMA has fought for include the elimination of the inventory tax, improvements to Indiana's corporate tax structure and investments in Indiana's workforce—all designed to

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encourage investment in Indiana. Another key to today's announcement is the highest level of priority Governor Daniels has placed on economic development. He has reorganized the state's economic development efforts under the direct control of his office and been intimately involved in all aspects of business and investment attraction.

"Honda not only makes world-class products, but today they also made a world-class decision. Honda is a great corporate citizen that truly partners with the communities where they are located, and they are welcome here in Indiana," said Mr. Kiely.

The Indiana Manufacturers Association, the leading voice for Indiana industry, was formed in 1901 and represents more than 1,500 members in 2,400 locations employing approximately 500,000 Hoosiers.