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## **IMPORTANT UPDATE**

### **PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT CAMPAIGN**

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Dear Kia Carnival Vehicle Owner:

**THIS IS AN UPDATE FOLLOWING A NOTICE THAT WAS ISSUED TO YOU IN AUGUST 2023.**

**KIA IS CURRENTLY EXPERIENCING AN UNEXPECTED PARTS SUPPLY ISSUE WHICH IS EXPECTED TO CONTINUE UNTIL THE FIRST WEEK OF OCTOBER 2023. KIA IS REQUESTING THAT YOU WAIT UNTIL AFTER THE FIRST WEEK OF OCTOBER BEFORE CONTACTING AN AUTHORIZED KIA DEALER TO SCHEDULE A SERVICE APPOINTMENT FOR THIS PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT CAMPAIGN TO BE PERFORMED. WE APOLOGIZE FOR ANY INCONVENIENCE THIS MAY HAVE CAUSED.**

Kia America, Inc. is conducting an important Product Improvement Campaign to install steel reinforcement plates on the second-row seat outer rails in certain 2022-2024 MY Kia Carnival vehicles equipped with sliding and removable second-row seats (excluding SX-Prestige equipped with the second-row lounge seats). This improvement will be done **free of charge at no cost to you.**

#### **Why is Kia Conducting This Product Improvement Campaign?**

Your vehicle complies with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards, including all applicable crash tests. The Insurance Institute for Highway Safety (IIHS) is an organization that conducts supplemental testing to evaluate certain aspects of vehicle performance and provide consumers with additional information. IIHS developed and implemented a new crash test protocol, "Side Impact Crashworthiness 2.0," in October 2022. This new test protocol was released after your vehicle was designed and developed. After observing the results of the new IIHS crash test, Kia has determined that an improvement could be made to the second-row seat outer rails in your vehicle to minimize potential seat rail detachment should a certain rare crash event occur.

#### **What Will Kia Do?**

Kia will install the steel reinforcement plates in your vehicle's second-row seat outer rail assembly to reinforce the mounting points to the floor. This Product Improvement Campaign will be performed free of charge at no cost to you. The estimated time required to perform the product improvement in your vehicle is approximately one (1) hour, depending on your dealer's schedule. We recommend that you contact your authorized Kia dealer **after the first week of October 2023** by phone or online to schedule a service appointment to minimize inconvenience.

#### **What Should You Do?**

- Please contact your authorized Kia dealer **after the first week of October 2023** to have the steel reinforcement plates installed on your vehicle.

- To find your nearest Kia dealer, visit [www.kia.com](http://www.kia.com) and click the “Find Dealer” button in the upper right corner (“Dealers” on a mobile device). You can also use the QR code below with your mobile device to access this information (*see the bottom of this letter for more information about QR code use*).



### Have You Changed Your Address Or Sold Your Kia?

- If you have changed your home address, sold your Kia vehicle, or no longer own your vehicle, please complete the attached prepaid “Change of Address/Ownership” card and mail it to us.

### What If You Have Other Questions?

- Should you have any questions regarding this product improvement campaign or if your Kia dealer does not respond to your service request in a timely manner, please contact Kia’s Customer Care Center at 1-800-333-4542, or through the owner’s section of [www.kia.com](http://www.kia.com).

Please accept our apologies for any inconvenience this matter may cause you.

Sincerely,

Customer Care Department

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