This notice applies to your vehicle: [VIN] URGENT SAFETY RECALL This is an important Safety Recall. The remedy will be performed <u>FREE</u> OF CHARGE to you.

IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL (Remedy Notice)

2021 Model Year RAV4 Prime Vehicles Vehicle May Lose Motive Power While Driving NHTSA Recall No. [xxx-xxx]

Dear (customer's First/Last name)

This notice is sent to you in accordance with <u>the National Traffic and</u> <u>Motor Vehicle Safety Act</u>. Toyota has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists in 2021 model year RAV4 Prime vehicles.

You received this notice because our records, which are based primarily on state registration and title data, indicate that you are the current owner.

What is the condition?

The Hybrid Vehicle Control ECU (HEV-ECU) in the subject plug-in hybrid electric vehicles contains software that could cause the hybrid system to shut down after driving continuously in "EV Mode" in cold temperatures and then the accelerator pedal is rapidly pressed to further accelerate the vehicle. System shut down with loss of motive power at higher speeds can increase the risk of a crash.

<u>What should you do?</u>

Please contact any authorized Toyota dealer to schedule an appointment to have the remedy performed as soon as possible. *Your local Toyota dealer will be more than happy to answer any of your questions.*

Until the remedy has been performed, avoid driving in "EV Mode.

- To find a dealer near you, visit <u>www.toyota.com/dealers</u>.
- ✓ For more information on this and other Safety Recalls, including Frequently Asked Questions, visit <u>www.toyota.com/recall</u>. Input your full 17-digit Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) noted above to review information specific to your vehicle.
- If you require further assistance, you may contact the Toyota Brand Engagement Center at 1-888-270-9371 Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 8:00 pm, Saturday 9:00 am to 7:00 pm Eastern Time.

What will Toyota do?

Any authorized Toyota dealer will update the HEV-ECU *FREE OF CHARGE* to you. *This is an important Safety Recall*

The remedy will take approximately 1 hour. However, depending on the dealer's work schedule, it may be necessary to make your vehicle available for a longer period of time.

• To reduce the chance of the condition occurring, please have the recall remedy performed as soon as possible and avoid driving in "EV Mode" until the remedy has been performed.

What if you live in California and do not have this Safety Recall Campaign performed?

The state of California requires the completion of Safety Recalls / Service Campaigns on emission related parts prior to vehicle registration renewal. In addition, the State requires that every vehicle must pass an emission test (SMOG Check) every two years and before it is sold. Without the completion of this *FREE* Safety Recall Campaign the California Air Resources Board (CARB) will not allow your vehicle to be registered. State of California Regulations require Toyota to provide the Department of Motor Vehicles with a record of all vehicles that have not had the Safety Recall Campaign completed.

Your Toyota dealer will provide you with a Vehicle Emissions Recall Proof of Correction Form after the campaign has been completed. Please ensure you retain this form, because the DMV may require that you supply proof that the campaign has been completed during your vehicle registration renewal process.

What if you are not the owner or operator of this vehicle?

If you are a vehicle lessor, Federal Law requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days.

If you know the current owner or operator, please forward this letter to them.

If you would like to update your vehicle ownership or contact information, please visit <u>https://www.toyota.com/owners</u>.

If you believe that the dealer or Toyota has failed or is unable to remedy the defect within a reasonable time or without charge, you may submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, *1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E., Washington, D.C. 20590, or call the toll free Vehicle Safety Hot Line at* **1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153)**, or go to http://www.safercar.gov.

We have sent this notice in the interest of your continued satisfaction with our products. We sincerely regret any inconvenience this condition may have caused you.

Thank you for driving a Toyota.

Sincerely,

Toyota Motor Sales, USA