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## **AutoWeb to Hold Third Quarter 2017 Conference Call on Thursday, November 2, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. ET**

IRVINE, Calif., Oct. 20, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- AutoWeb, Inc. (Nasdaq:AUTO), formerly Autobyte Inc., a pioneer and leading provider of digital automotive services connecting in-market car buyers with dealers and OEMs, will hold a conference call on Thursday, November 2, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. Eastern time to discuss its financial results for the third quarter ended September 30, 2017. The company will report its financial results in a press release prior to the conference call.

AutoWeb President and CEO Jeff Coats and CFO Kimberly Boren will host the conference call, followed by a question-and-answer session. During the call, management will refer to a supplementary slide presentation, which will be available for download in the Investors section of the company's website.

Date: Thursday, November 2, 2017  
Time: 5:00 p.m. Eastern time (2:00 p.m. Pacific time)  
Toll-free dial-in number: 1-877-852-2929  
International dial-in number: 1-404-991-3925  
Conference ID: 8799839

The conference call will also be broadcast live at [www.autoweb.com](http://www.autoweb.com) (click on "Investors" and then click on "Events & Presentations"). Please visit the website at least 15 minutes prior to the start of the call to register and download any necessary software. For those who will be joining the call by phone, please call the conference telephone number 5-10 minutes prior to the start time, and an operator will register your name and organization. If you have any difficulty connecting with the conference call, please contact Liolios at 1-949-574-3860.

A replay of the conference call will be available after 8:00 p.m. Eastern time on the same day through November 10, 2017. The call will also be archived in the Investors section of AutoWeb's website for one year.

Toll-free replay number: 1-855-859-2056  
International replay number: 1-404-537-3406  
Replay ID: 8799839

### **Tax Benefit Preservation Plan**

At December 31, 2016, the company had approximately \$75.8 million in available net operating loss carryforwards (NOLs) for U.S. federal income tax purposes. In light of the company's recent stock repurchases, the company reminds stockholders about AutoWeb's Tax Benefit Preservation Plan dated May 26, 2010, as amended on April 14, 2014 and May 26, 2017 (as amended, the "Plan") between the company and Computershare Trust Company, N.A., as rights agent.

The Plan was adopted by the company's board of directors to preserve the company's NOLs and other tax attributes, and thus reduce the risk of a possible change of ownership under Section 382 of the Internal Revenue Code. Any such change of ownership under Section 382 would limit or eliminate the ability of the company to use its existing NOLs for federal income tax purposes. In general, an ownership change will occur if the company's 5% shareholders, for purposes of Section 382, collectively increase their ownership in the company by an aggregate of more than 50 percentage points over a rolling three-year period. The Plan is designed to reduce the likelihood that the company experiences such an ownership change by discouraging any person or group from becoming a new 5% shareholder under Section 382. Rights issued under the Plan could be triggered upon the acquisition by any person or group of 4.9% or more of the company's outstanding common stock and could result in substantial dilution of the acquirer's percentage ownership in the company. There is no guarantee that the Plan will achieve the objective of preserving the value of the company's NOLs.

As of October 1, 2017, there were 13,082,948 shares of the company's common stock, \$0.001 par value, outstanding. Persons or groups considering the acquisition of shares of beneficial ownership of the company's common stock should first evaluate their percentage ownership based on this revised outstanding share number to ensure that the acquisition of shares does not result in beneficial ownership of 4.9% or more of outstanding shares. For more information about the Plan, please visit [investor.autoweb.com/tax.cfm](http://investor.autoweb.com/tax.cfm).

### **About AutoWeb, Inc.**

AutoWeb, Inc., formerly Autobyte Inc., provides high-quality consumer leads, clicks and associated marketing services to automotive dealers and manufacturers throughout the United States. The company also provides consumers with robust

and original online automotive content to help them make informed car-buying decisions. The company pioneered the automotive Internet in 1995 and has since helped tens of millions of automotive consumers research vehicles; connected thousands of dealers nationwide with motivated car buyers; and has helped every major automaker market its brand online.

Investors and other interested parties can receive AutoWeb news alerts and special event invitations by accessing the online registration form at [investor.autoweb.com/alerts.cfm](http://investor.autoweb.com/alerts.cfm).

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