



After revealing Honda's intentions to bring the new supercharged 2.0-liter engine that will equip the still-born Euro Civic Type-R to North America, we were virtually surprised none has given credit to the report. With the exception of Autoevolution no media has echoed our statements about it, even despite having posted the notice in OppositeLock, the English speaking Jalopnik's forum.

Despite having many readers in the different languages we posted in, basically except for a few enthusiastic voices, none has given credit to the revealed information, though.

But one of the few voices that seem to have accepted the information was a character of who we spoke a few months ago, specifically related to this issue.

He is the same person responsible for that particular petition in Change.org website, where he requested Honda to take the still-born Civic Type-R turbo to the American market, and already has over 19,000 signatures.

Upon hearing the news he immediately contacted us, with great surprise for him, firstly for our information and secondly because he was unaware that we had covered in an article his request in Change.org.

Later, we were the surprised ones when chatting with him we discovered that he isn't a simple fan or enthusiast's brand, because Nikos Stoufis (is has actually proved to be his real name) is an American businessman engaged in the aftermarket manufacture and development of engines of the Japanese firm.

Nikos Stoufis

Born in Greece, Nikos says he has felt his passion for the automotive world since was a child, he founded in 2003 k20a.org, a website specialized on Honda K20 engines due to his great his fondness for the Japanese brand. A few years later he sold the site and now he is devoted to his current company, Superior Valve Motion or SVMcams, where he designs and manufactures camshafts and mechanical parts for Honda engines.

After taking a look at some of his creations we can say they are spectacular, even raising the power of these engines up to 1,300 HP through his parts and the use of a turbocharger, as the tuned Civic that can be seen in the image below. As soon as we can, we will bring to your screens some of his works which are rolling on European roads, which despite being established only in the US, has clients all around the globe.

Of course, we take this unique opportunity to ask him a few questions about himself, his fondness and his strange petition on Change.org.





Interview

MyR: As a fan of the Japanese brand, Which is your favorite Honda model?.

NS: My favorite Honda is the Civic Mugen RR.

MyR: Have you had any Honda or Acura model?.

NS: I have owned various Hondas. Probably more than 10. My current family car is the Honda Ridgeline and my daily car is a 98 civic EX, but I would buy the new Civic Turbo if it finally goes on sale.

MyR: Regarding the petition posted on Change.org, How far are you willing to go?.

NS: I do not take NO for an answer; I'm trying to reach 100,000 signatures. At that point I'll be satisfied.

MyR: After your request, Honda has contacted you?

NS: Yes, I received several emails from Honda reporting, unfortunately, that for the moment there is no new information.

According to Stoufis, the new 2.0-liter turbo that will give life to the next gen Euro-specs Civic Type-R is an engine that would fit perfectly in American Civic range, where the model has more followers than on European market, which is undeniable.

Currently, the top at the Civic range in the United States is occupied by Si version, which has 210 hp and is available in both four-doors sedan and two-doors coupe version.