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Dear Friends of the Tennessee Trucking Foundation:

As more and more of us are vaccinated and feel somewhat safer, we are finding that our 2021 events are breaking records with attendance. We are expecting our 91st Annual Convention to be a record breaker as well. We are certainly looking forward to seeing everyone at Convention this year.

Our plan is to continue the auction online again this year. Convention surveys showed the majority of attendees were pleased with the online format. As a 501c3 charity, our important goal of promoting safer highways in Tennessee depends solely on the funding from donations and fundraisers. The annual silent auction is one of our largest fundraisers.

The Foundation was created in 1993 and operates several community programs in Tennessee. One of those programs is the Tennessee Road Team. Tennessee's Road Team is made up of a group of professional truck drivers who are nominated by their companies each year and selected by a panel to represent the industry as Tennessee Road Team Captains. They are trained to take the message of highway safety all across Tennessee to people of all ages.

We normally have around 30 Road Team Captains each year who visit school classrooms K-12, public events, civic meetings, Senior Citizen Centers, etc. – anywhere they can address Tennessee motorists. Through them, motorists of all ages are learning about the blind spots around commercial motor vehicles and their different handling characteristics, and how to drive safer on the roadways with them. This important part of the Foundation is in line with our Mission of advancing highway safety and saving lives on Tennessee's roadways through education and information.

The money we receive from the auction will be used for the Tennessee Road Team to help them reach out to even more motorists across the State. Any item or monetary donation you can make this year for our silent auction will help save lives.

Thank you for your commitment to highway safety!

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