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RE: Request For Exemption From Registering Under The Tennessee Charitable Solicitations Act

Dear Theresa Pepin:

Thank you for the information you submitted concerning the need of your organization to register with the Charitable Solicitations Division of the Secretary of State.

After reviewing the aforementioned information, we accept your organization's claim to be exempt from registration with the Division, pursuant to the Tennessee Charitable Solicitations Act.

Non-solicitation or solicitations less than \$30,000.00 annually [T.C.A. § 48-101-502(a)(2)]

Educational institution [T.C.A. § 48-101-502(b)]

Bona fide religious organization [T.C.A. § 48-101-502(c)(1)]

Tax-exempt religious affiliate [T.C.A. § 48-101-502(c)(2)]

Religious construction and maintenance [T.C.A. § 48-101-502(c)(3)]

Volunteer Fire Departments, Rescue Squads [T.C.A. § 48-101-502(a)(3)]

Exempt pursuant to Reciprocity Clause [T.C.A. § 48-101-510]

Exempt - Agriculture Community, County, District or Division Fair [Public Act 457]

Please notify this office should your situation change. In the event of a change in the information you submitted, your exempt status may be reexamined. If you have any questions please contact Tameka Corlew, Assistant Director, at 615-741-2555.

Sincerely,

Judy Bond-McKissack, Acting Director  
Division of Charitable Solicitations and Gaming

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