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PRESS RELEASE

Transportation Systems Design, Inc. Named Transportation Management Consultant for the World Meeting of Families - Philadelphia 2015

Philadelphia, PA (August xx, 2015) – <u>Transportation Systems Design, Inc.</u>, (TSD, Inc.) an industry-leader in providing full-service event logistics, has partnered with the <u>World Meeting of Families – Philadelphia 2015</u> to assist with the transportation planning of the Papal Visit this September.

Bringing more than 25 years of planning and logistical services for major events, TSD, Inc. will work hand-in-hand with the City of Philadelphia, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the United States Secret Service and numerous federal, state and local agencies in the planning and operation of transportation logistics for Pope Francis' visit to Philadelphia from Saturday, September 26 – Sunday, September 27.

Spearheading transportation planning efforts will be Andrew Ballard who has more than 25 years of experience in transportation and logistical planning and implementation for large-scale events, including six U.S. Presidential Inaugurations, five Democratic National Conventions, Saint John Paul II's visit to Baltimore in 1995, along with national and international sporting events such as the Olympic Games, FIFA World Cup and Super Bowls.

"Transportation Systems Design, Inc. is thrilled to work alongside the World Meeting of Families as the transportation management consultant to assist with the coordination of all transportation logistics leading up to the Papal Visit this September," said Andrew Ballard, President of TSD, Inc. "With in-depth experience with large-scale events – from managing all of the transportation logistics for the 2009 Presidential Inaugural Committee, where 2.5 million attended to coordinating a fleet of 400 buses in Charlotte, NC for the 2012 Democratic National Convention – we are well-equipped to move anywhere from hundreds to millions of people during an event."

In addition to the overall transportation planning for the events, TSD, Inc. in partnership with Event Transportation Solutions, Inc. and Boston Mountain Productions, will provide shuttle services to the WMOF Congress (September 22-25) and for the program participants, clergy and invited guests attending the WMOF and Papal events.

About Transportation Systems Design, Inc. and Partner Companies

TSD, Inc., headquartered in Silver Spring, MD is a full service event logistics company that operates world-wide. Services include: Bus Shuttle Systems, Black Car Service, Fleet Management, VIP/Executive Services, Transportation Management and Logistical Planning. www.tsdevents.com

Event Transportation Solutions, Inc., headquartered in Frisco, TX is owned and operated by Brian Wickersham, and brings 21 years of industry leading experience to the transportation team. Brian was Director of Transportation for both the 200 and 2012 Democratic National Conventions. www.etsmgmt.com

Boston Mountain Promotions, headquartered in Batesville, AR is an Event Logistics and Production company with over 20 years of experience in event production. BMP, President, Benjamin Handford's background includes three Presidential Campaigns, two Presidential Inaugurals and numerous events for both the Clinton and Obama Administrations.

About World Meetings of Families

Beginning with 1994, The Year of the Family, the Pontifical Council for the Family has been responsible for organizing the World Meetings of Families in Rome (1994); Rio de Janeiro (1997); Rome (2000); Manila (2003); Valencia (2006); Mexico City (2009); Milan (2012); and now, Philadelphia (2015). Since its inception by Saint John Paul II, the World Meeting of Families has sought to strengthen the sacred bonds of family across the globe.

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