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Tennessee State University Foundation 3500 Centennial Blvd. Nashville, Tennessee 37203

Purpose: Charitable - Educational

Accounting Period Ending: December 31

Gentlemen;

Based on information supplied, and assuming your operations will be as stated in your exemption application, we have determined that you are exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Any change in your purposes, character, or method of operation must be reported to us so we may consider the effect of the change on your exempt status. You must also report any change in your name and address.

Pending issuance of regulations under section 509 of the Code, we are unable to make a determination as to whether you are a private foundation as defined in that section. Upon issuance of the regulations we will evaluate your application, make a determination as to your status under section 509 of the Code, and notify you of our decision.

If upon issuance of the regulations we determine that you are a private foundation, you will be required to comply with the provisions of section 508(e), which specifies that a private foundation is not exempt unless its governing instrument includes certain provisions set forth in that section and the regulations thereunder. Failure to comply with the requirements of section 508(e) will result in retroactive revocation of this determination.

Every organization exempt from taxation under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Gode, which is required to file a return under section 6033 of the Internal Revenue Code, shall file its annual return on Form 990. Please refer to the instructions accompanying the Form 990 for each year to determine whether or not you are required to file. If filing is required, you must file the Form 990 by the 15th day of the fifth month after the end of your annual accounting period.

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You are not required to file Federal income tax returns unless you are subject to the tax on unrelated business income under section 511 of the Code. If you are subject to this tax, you must file an income tax return on Form 990-T. In this letter we are not determining whether any of your present or proposed activities are an unrelated trade or business as defined in section 513 of the Code.

You are not liable for Federal Unemployment taxes. You are liable for Social Security taxes only if you have filed waiver of exemption certificates as provided in the Federal Insurance Contributions Act.

Contributions made to you are deductible by donors as provided in section 170 of the Code. Bequests, legacies, devises, transfers or gifts to you or for your use are d ductible for Federal estate and gift tax purposes under the provisions of section 2055, 2106, and 2522 of the Code.

Every exempt organization is required to have an Employer Identification Number; regardless of whether it has any employees. This number should be entered in the designated space on all Federal returns which should be filed with the Mid-Atlantic Service Center in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and referred to on all correspondence which should be addressed to the District Director in Atlanta, Georgia. If you do not have such a number, our Service Center will assign one to you in the near future and notify you of the number assigned.

This is a determination letter.

Sincerely yours,

John W. Henderson District Director

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