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Happy New Year

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NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION! DRIVE SAFELY

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In a recent news release, Secretary Volpe appealed to the public to join with him in a New Year's resolution. He outlined the recent success in reducing the highway death toll in 1969 and 1970 in the face of increased highway usage during that same period by seven million additional drivers and eight million additional vehicles. However, Secretary Volpe feels that the reduction in fatalities is not great enough and called on the nation's 115 million drivers to join him in the following resolution for 1972:

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"I, John Volpe, hereby resolve to continue the utmost in my power to dramatically improve the Nation's highway safety record in 1972".

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This bulletin will be issued periodically during the consolidation of the Department of Transportation headquarters into two buildings -- 400 Seventh Street, S.W., and 800 Independence Avenue, S.W.

This appeal to the public should be felt strongly by DOT employees especially. This resolution is part of our mission as a Department. Let us join enthusiastically with the Secretary, and do our part!

NTSB Chairman John H. Reed offered these reminders as a first step we can all take to implement this resolution:

Alcohol: Don't mix drinking and driving. Drive defensively so you'll have a safety margin if the other driver has been drinking.

Bad Weather: Make sure your car is in good condition. Keep your windshield and windows clear. On snow or ice, use chains, studded tires or snow tires. When the going really gets bad, delay your trip.

Early Darkness: Don't over-drive your headlights. Use your low beam in traffic. Make sure all your lights are working, and use your turn signal lights. When you're driving, watch for pedestrians. When you're walking, help drivers see you; wear light-colored clothing and carry something reflective or bright.

Take care. Be sure you're around to enjoy 1972.

ANOTHER NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION! JOIN THE DOT BLOOD DONOR PROGRAM

The Department of Transportation is reaching the halfway mark for FY-72 donations and we are 207.5 pints short of reaching our mid-year goal of 801.5 pints. In this season of giving, there is no more precious gift than your own blood. A SPECIAL THANK YOU IS EXTENDED TO ALL THOSE WHO HAVE GIVEN. For those who have not yet made their contribution, now is the time to make a meaningful New Year's resolution. Donate that precious gift to help yourself, your family, and your fellow employees.

Here are the Departmental statistics as of December 8, 1971:

<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>ANNUAL QUOTA</u>	<u>DONATIONS</u>	<u>NO. PINTS TO GO</u>	<u>% OF GOAL</u>
UMTA	40	31	9	77%
FAA	500	239	261	48%
FHWA	226	104	122	46%
NHTSA	109	39	70	36%
USCG	400	141	259	35%
FRA	30	8	22	27%
NTSB	40	9	31	22%
OST	258	23	235	9%

As you can see, we are way behind! However, there's still plenty of time to get out from behind the "eight-ball". With two out of every three employees contributing during the second half, we can make FY-72 the first 100% year for the Department of Transportation!

DOT BLOOD DONOR PROGRAM DONATION SCHEDULES

<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>DAY OF THE MONTH</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATOR</u>
OST	First Thursday	9:30 a.m.	Mrs. Adams Ext. 61166
NTSB	Every Thursday	10:30 a.m.	Mr. Burchard Ext. 68932
FRA	Last Thursday	1:00 p.m.	Mrs. Boggio Ext. 60083
NHTSA	Fourth Tuesday	11:00 a.m.	Mrs. Aikens Ext. 61400
USCG	First Tuesday Second Wednesday Third Thursday	9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 8:45 a.m.	Mrs. Butler Ext. 62325
FHWA	Every Thursday	12:30 p.m.	Mrs. Englehart Ext. 60485
FAA	Every Thursday	9:30 a.m.	Mrs. Martin Ext. 63252
UMTA	(BY APPOINTMENT WITH CORRINATOR)		Mrs. Brooks Ext. 64060

"CALL YOUR COORDINATOR TODAY AND MAKE YOUR FIRST APPOINTMENT"
