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### **Judy Hammond Named to National Child Passenger Safety Board**

Itasca, IL – The National Child Passenger Safety Board is proud to announce the appointment of Judy Hammond to the Board. She will serve on the Certification/Recertification and Membership Committees as well as acting as a liaison for the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration’s regions across the U.S.

Hammond is NHTSA’s coordinator for the award of highway safety grants to states, and manager of four grant programs (occupant protection, distracted driving, graduated drivers licensing and bicyclist/pedestrian). She works in the Office of Regional Operations and Program Delivery/Office of Grants Management and Operations in Washington, D.C.

“Judy brings a wealth of knowledge and vast experience to the National Child Passenger Safety Board,” said Amy Artuso, NCPSTB secretariat and senior program manager at NSC. “We are honored to call her one of our own now. We look forward to working alongside her as we revise the strategic plan to guide the board’s work moving forward.”

Hammond started a distinguished career in traffic safety as a public education specialist after attending Lamar University in Beaumont, TX. She has taught child passenger safety training courses, worked to develop standardized curriculum and literally written the book on baby seats and safety belts. In August 2018, she was inducted into the Manufacturers Alliance Child Passenger Safety Hall of Fame.

As a child, Hammond was inspired to pursue traffic safety by her father, the late-Bill Hammond. “My dad had a children’s show (The Uncle Willie Show) on radio and television from 1955 to 1963,” she said. “It was a cartoon show and had a live audience five days a week. The membership card that he gave to over 40,000 children had a safety pledge on the back.”

Judy was 2½ years old when she first went on TV to close her dad’s show with a prayer. The first couple of lines went like this: “Thank you, God, for the world so sweet. Thank you, God, for the food we eat.” When Bill Hammond died in 1980, the minister recited Judy’s prayer and at the end said, “Thank you, God, for Uncle Willie.”

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### **About the National Child Passenger Safety Board**

The National Child Passenger Safety Board, managed by the National Safety Council, seeks to maintain the quality and integrity of the National Child Passenger Safety Certification Training Program. The program is used to train and certify child passenger safety technicians and instructors. For more information about child passenger safety or the National CPS board, please visit the Board's website at [www.cpsboard.org](http://www.cpsboard.org)