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"THE PRESERVATION OF THE
CLASSIC THUNDERBIRD"
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Dear Thunderbird Enthusiasts:

On behalf of the Board of Directors, office staff and fellow members, it is with great pleasure that we invite you to join us as a member of Classic Thunderbird Club International (CTCI).

CTCI was formed in 1961 and incorporated as a non-profit corporation in California in 1963. Starting with only a few founding members, we have over 4,500 members worldwide! CTCI sanctions an International Convention held during even-numbered years, and Regional Conventions in odd-numbered years.

To enhance your Thunderbird experience we encourage our members to participate in a local chapter. They are located throughout the world including the United States, Canada, and Europe. These chapters host the International and Regional Conventions and are a great place to meet other Classic Thunderbird enthusiasts. Information about these clubs can be found online through the club website, www.ctci.org, under the "Chapters" section of the website, or by calling our office at (816)421- 8273.

Our official club magazine, the award winning *Early Bird*, will be sent to you six times each year as part of your membership package. It contains articles relating to Classic Thunderbird restoration, parts availability and suppliers, membership and chapter information, as well as display and classified advertising. Back issues of the *Early Bird* – from 1969 to present – are still available for purchase.

As a new member you will receive a welcome packet which includes: a beautiful CTCI grill badge, a windshield decal, current *Early Bird* issue, and a helpful Concours Guidelines document. We hope that you will proudly display your new windshield decal and grill badge on your Classic Thunderbird to denote your membership in CTCI.

We have memorabilia available for purchase including shirts, hats, and other Thunderbird related items. To assist our members in restoring and maintaining their vehicles, we are licensed by Ford to republish shop and owners' manuals from the Ford originals. In addition, there is the CTCI Restoration Manual and other forms of Thunderbird literature, available to our members through our Club Store online.

We are confident you will enjoy your membership in CTCI. Please feel free to contact our office staff, Directors or Officers with any questions, comments, or concerns. Contact information can be found in the front of each issue of the *Early Bird* Magazine, and on the website.

Sincerely,
Brian Carron, President CTCI, 2022