<div align="center">INVITATION TO BID</div>

Sealed bids for the following will be received by the Sullivan County Purchasing Agent until 2:00 P.M., Eastern Time, **February 22, 2022**, and at that time will be publicly opened at Sullivan County Courthouse, located at 3411 Hwy 126, Suite 201, Blountville, TN. All bids will be considered for award or rejection at a later date.

ITEMS: (7) 42 PASSENGER TYPE C SCHOOL BUSES
(2) 42 PASSENGER SPED TYPE C SCHOOL BUSES WITH WHEELCHAIR LIFT
(4) 66 PASSENGER TYPE C SCHOOL BUSES

Documents for the above referenced items are available on the Sullivan County's Vendor Registry website at https://vrapp.vendorregistry.com/Bids/View/BidsList?BuyerID=37b55d57-2b40-462f-bd8e-5b80ab095ddd. All questions regarding this bid must be submitted via email to Michelle Ramey, Assistant Purchasing Agent at michelle.ramey@sullivancountytn.gov, no later than **February 11, 2022**, by the end of business day. All questions will be answered in an addendum which will be issued on February 17, 2022.

Funding for this bid is being provided by the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER 3.0) grant with federal funds administered by the Tennessee Department of Education.

By submission of a signed submittal, the submitter certifies total compliance with Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, and all regulations promulgated thereunder. Qualified Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs) are encouraged to submit.

No submitted bids may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days after the scheduled closing time of the receipt of submittals. All bids shall be signed, sealed and addressed to the Sullivan County Purchasing Agent, 3411 Hwy 126, Suite 201, Blountville, Tennessee 37617 and marked "42 Passenger Type C School Buses, 42 Passenger SPED Type C School Buses with Wheelchair Lift, and 66 Passenger Type C School Buses". Sullivan County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids received, to waive any informalities in bidding and to re-advertise.

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