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Mecum Auctions releases results for their third year return to the PA Farm Show Complex in Harrisburg, PA

Total Sales of \$16.7 Million, 70% Sell-Through Rate and Standing-Room Only Audiences over the threeday auction prove positive for the world leader of collector cars and vintage motorcycles.

HARRISBURG, PA (July 26, 2016) – Tourism officials for the Hershey Harrisburg Region (<u>HHR</u>) were happy to receive the positive results reported today from <u>Mecum Auctions</u> for their third year at the PA Farm Show Complex & Expo Center (<u>FSC</u>) held July 21 – 23, 2016.

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A press release issued by Mecum Auctions reported an audience of registered bidders and spectators this year again filled the venue over the three days in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania with results of \$16.7 million in total sales and an impressive 70-percent sell-through rate. Compared to the previous year, total sales value was down \$3 million while the sell-through rate rose 3 points.

According to the press release, Mecum claims the results further validate why Harrisburg is such a great central location to properly serve the incredible enthusiasm for collector cars in the northeastern United States and cites the fact that consignments came in from 26 states for this year's auction.

See how this year's results rival Mecum's <u>record-breaking</u> first-time event for northeast in Harrisburg in 2014.

Tourism officials estimate the event attracted around 22,000 attendees and generated an economic impact of approximately \$8.3 million for the region. Officials also recognize the invaluable destination awareness and publicity garnered by the 18.5 hours of live and repeated auction coverage on the NBC Sports Network and the live streaming on Mecum.com.

Top 10 Sales recorded at the Mecum Harrisburg 2016 auction

Includes all individual sales reflect hammer prices

- 1. 1970 Ford Mustang Boss 429 Fastback (Lot S124) at \$220,000
- 2. 1967 Chevrolet Corvette Convertible (Lot S140) at \$160,000
- 3. 1967 Chevrolet Corvette Coupe (Lot F258) at \$125,000
- 4. 1963 Chevrolet Corvette Split Window Coupe (Lot S157.1) at \$120,000
- 5. 1968 Ford Shelby GT350 Fastback (Lot F132) at \$110,000
- 6. 2015 Ford Shelby GT350 (Lot S97) at \$110,000
- 7. 1970 Chevrolet Chevelle SS Convertible (Lot S112) at \$105,000
- 8. 1970 Chevrolet Chevelle LS6 (Lot S112.1) at \$105,000
- 9. 1954 Chevrolet Corvette Roadster (Lot S149) at \$102,500
- 10. 1973 Chevrolet Corvette Motion Manta Ray GT (Lot S119) at \$100,000

More information on an upcoming auctions or to register as a bidder, visit <u>Mecum.com</u> or call (262) 275-5050.

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Mary Smith, President & CEO of the Hershey Harrisburg Regional Visitors Bureau is available for media interviews regarding the contents of this news release. Please try to make interview requests at least 12-hours in advance. The bureau will make every effort to accommodate all interview requests. Contact <u>Rick@HersheyHarrisburg.org</u> or cell 717.884.3328.

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