



Parents Against Tired Truckers and Citizens for Reliable and Safe Highways

STATEMENT OF TRACY QUINICHETT
MOTHER OF CHANNING QUINICHETT – KILLED IN A TRUCK CRASH
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Hello, We are Mark and Tracy Quinichett and we live here in Maryland. On January 21 of this year just three months ago our Daughter, Channing was killed on the 495 Beltway near College Park, when a tire fell from a truck that was being towed and crashed into the windshield of her car. The tire bounced around the beltway hitting other cars – thank God no one else was hurt or killed – creating a force so powerful that it killed Our Daughter and her unborn child – our first grandchild – tragically and instantly.

This is a very difficult time for us. Channing was a senior about to graduate from the University of Maryland College Park with her degree in Early Elementary Education (in fact, many of her classmates have come out in the rain today to be here with us, thank you). Channing was so eager to become a School Teacher and would have made a huge contribution to many lives. Channing should not have been killed.

We are here today to prevent other families from having to facing the same pain and sorrow. We must do whatever we can to make our roads safer.

Thank to everyone who came out here to support us today.