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Statement on Senator Dianne Feinstein's Passing

Joan Claybrook, Former Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, and Chair, Citizens for Reliable and Safe Highways: "In a career of firsts and as the longest-serving woman in the U.S. Senate, Senator Dianne Feinstein's tenure was one of the most remarkable in Senate history, and indeed in American history. She was respected for her persistence and determination in causes she believed in. Unlike many top public officials, she always made time to meet with and listen to public advocates. She was a true partner in the fight for safety standards to prevent or mitigate deadly motor vehicle crashes. While on the Senate Appropriations Committee, she fought trucking industry amendments that undercut safety. She was instrumental in preserving truck size and weight limits even in the face of the trucking industry orchestrated campaign to allow for bigger longer trucks, known as Double 33s. In addition, she successfully stopped the tech industry from securing exemptions from safety standards for autonomous vehicles, even though the tech industry is dominant in her home state of California. Because of her millions of Americans are safer on our roadways today. Her intelligence, leadership and focus on the safety of all Americans will be missed."



Senator Feinstein says NO to double 33 foot trailers.

Tami Friedrich, President, Truck Safety Coalition: "Senator Feinstein believed that safety of people mattered more than private interests and could always be counted on to take a stand for truck safety. As a native Californian, I am exceedingly proud of Senator Feinstein's legacy and contributions to improving road safety. On behalf of all TSC volunteers, we offer condolences to her friends and family."