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SIX MILLION BARRELS AND COUNTING

Distillery legend returns to roll 6 millionth barrel of bourbon produced since Prohibition

Franklin County, Kentucky— Buffalo Trace Distillery will celebrate a major milestone Wednesday, May 14 as the six millionth barrel of bourbon since Prohibition rolls off the production line and into an aging warehouse. To commemorate barrel number six million, Buffalo Trace will host a celebration at the distillery. The event is open to the public and will begin at 3:30 p.m. Making this already noteworthy event even more special is former Warehouse Supervisor, Jimmy Johnson. Johnson has helped roll out each millionth barrel since Prohibition and at age 92, he's excited to get another one under his belt.

"I'm thrilled to be able to come back to the distillery and help with the six millionth barrel," said Johnson. "This is history and I'm honored to be a part of it." Buffalo Trace is the oldest continually operating distillery in the country, remaining operational during Prohibition for "medicinal purposes." The distillery was the first in the U.S. to produce two million barrels after Prohibition and a special single barrel warehouse was constructed to house that barrel for aging. Warehouse V is the world's smallest bonded warehouse. It has housed each millionth barrel produced at the distillery since Prohibition and is currently storing the last barrel of the twentieth century.

"Warehouse V is a very special warehouse here at the Trace," said Harlen Wheatley, Master Distiller. "We make a lot of whiskey here, but each millionth barrel is very special and a tremendous milestone. We're looking forward to putting our six millionth barrel in there and we're thrilled Jimmy will be on hand for the festivities."

Buffalo Trace Distillery is open for tours year-round and special Hard Hat Tours are available during distilling season by reservation. All tours are complimentary. For more information please call 800-654-8471 or go to www.buffalotrace.com.

About Buffalo Trace

Buffalo Trace Distillery is a family-owned company based in Franklin County, Kentucky. The distillery's rich distilling tradition dates back to 1787 and has included such legends as E.H. Taylor, Jr., George T. Stagg, Albert B. Blanton, Orville Schupp, and Elmer T. Lee. Buffalo Trace is a fully operational distillery producing bourbon, rye and vodka on site and is listed on the National Historic Register. Buffalo Trace has won seven distillery titles since 2000 from such notable publications as *Whiskey Magazine*, *Malt Advocate Magazine* and *Wine Enthusiast Magazine*. Buffalo Trace has also garnered more than 170 awards for its

wide range of premium whiskies. The distillery is part of the Sazerac family of companies, which has operations in New Orleans, Louisiana; Franklin County, Kentucky, Fredericksburg, Virginia and Baltimore, Maryland.

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