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LARGEST SINGLE AUTOMOTIVE DONATION IN HISTORY**

***Unique Rolls-Royce Collection Expected to Raise \$8 - \$10 Million for Ohio State Cancer Research at Prestigious Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance Auction August 19<sup>th</sup>***

**Santa Monica, Calif.,** (May 8, 2007) – Gooding & Company, the record-setting auction house, announced today that it has been selected to offer for sale the incomparable Rolls-Royce collection of Richard J. Solove at the annual Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance auction this August. In the largest single automotive donation in history, Mr. Solove is contributing his proceeds from the collection's sale, with catalog estimates ranging between \$8 - \$10 million, to the Arthur G. James Cancer Hospital and Richard J. Solove Research Institute at Ohio State University, one of only ten freestanding cancer hospitals in the United States and part of Ohio State's National Cancer Institute- designated Comprehensive Cancer Center. Gooding & Company will host the official auction at the renowned Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance on Sunday, August 19, 2007.

Dick Solove has assembled the only known collection of Rolls-Royce's first series 40/50hp Silver Ghost, with models from every year of the series' production, which ran from 1907 through 1915. Highlights of the Solove Collection include a 1907 Rolls-Royce (chassis 60547), which is the oldest-known surviving 40/50hp model pre-dating the example owned by Rolls-Royce. Another vehicle known as "Corgi," Solove's 1912 Silver Ghost, was so nicknamed because it inspired the creation of the famous tiny "Corgi Classics" model.

"These cars are the epitome of elegance and assembling this collection over the past three decades has given me great pleasure," Solove noted. "Auctioning them to support an organization so close to my heart, gives me tremendous satisfaction. I hope that other collectors will also be inspired to share their collections in support of worthy causes."

It has taken Richard Solove 34 years of continuous searching to assemble this unique collection of Rolls-Royce history – completed only recently with the acquisition of the 1908 Silver Ghost, one of only four in the world known to survive.

“This sale is tremendously exciting because of the incredible quality, rarity and value of the cars offered,” said David Gooding, founder and president of the auction house. “Gooding & Company is proud to have been selected to help Dick facilitate the unprecedented generosity of this gift.”

“Dick is a person who, when he believes in something, never falters in his support,” said Dr. David Schuller, the hospital’s senior executive director. “His monetary contributions have helped us immensely, but it’s his unwavering faith in our mission as caregivers, scientists and educators that keeps us energized. His generosity in donating the auction proceeds is as exceptional as the Rolls-Royce automobiles in the collection.”

Offered at Gooding & Company’s Pebble Beach Auction following America’s premiere car collector event, the Pebble Beach Concours d’Elegance, Richard Solove’s unique and accurately restored Rolls-Royce collection, 15 cars in total, will be a highlight of the weekend.

### **Gooding & Company**

Gooding & Company, the Santa Monica based auction house, provides unparalleled service for those in the close-knit world of classic car collecting and offers a wide range of services including private and estate sales, appraisals, collection management, estate and tax planning assistance. The company has set numerous world records for sales at auction and by private treaty, including for a Ferrari road car – the 1967 Ferrari 275 GTS/4 alloy NART Spyder for \$3,960,000; a 1938 Talbot Lago T150 C SS Teardrop Coupe for \$3,905,000; and for a Duesenberg at auction with the 1935 Duesenberg SJ Speedster - the Mormon Meteor for \$4,455,000. Gooding & Company also conducts the official Pebble Beach Auction at the annual Pebble Beach Concours d’Elegance. For information on this year’s Pebble Beach Auction or to purchase an auction catalogue, contact Gooding & Company at 310-899-1960 or visit <http://www.goodingco.com>.

In addition, Gooding & Company has entered into a unique joint venture with Ocean Tomo, LLC, to conduct live, intellectual property auctions. Ocean Tomo, LLC, is a fully integrated intellectual capital merchant bank specializing in understanding and leveraging intellectual-property assets. Upcoming Ocean Tomo auctions, fully managed by Gooding & Company, include London, June 1 and Chicago, October 25.

### **About the Pebble Beach Concours d’Elegance:**

First conducted in 1950, the Pebble Beach Concours d’Elegance is often said to be the world’s premier celebration of the automobile. Only the most beautiful and rare cars are invited to appear on the famed eighteenth fairway of Pebble Beach Golf Links, and connoisseurs of art and style flock to see these masterpieces of technological design. Automobiles are judged for their historical accuracy, their technical merit, and their style. Charitable donations raised by the Pebble Beach Concours now total more than \$10 million. The 2007 Pebble Beach Concours d’Elegance will be held on Sunday, August 19, 2007 featuring the marques of Aston Martin, Auburn, Cord and Duesenberg and celebrating the 75th anniversary of the iconic 1932 Ford. Related events include the Pebble Beach Tour d’Elegance, Pebble Beach RetroAuto, and the Pebble Beach Auction presented by Gooding & Company. Visit <http://www.pebblebeachconcours.net> for more information.

### **About the Arthur G. James Cancer Hospital and Richard J. Solove Research Institute**

The Arthur G. James Cancer Hospital and Richard J. Solove Research Institute, located at Ohio State University Medical Center, is a leader in the prevention, detection, diagnosis and treatment of cancer. The James is part of the Ohio State University’s comprehensive cancer center, which includes 250 researchers in seven programs who generate over \$100 million annually in external funding. The CCC is one of only 39 in the country. The James, a founding member of the National Comprehensive Cancer Network, is consistently ranked by U.S. News & World Report as one of America’s best hospitals for cancer care. Visit <http://www.jamesline.com/news/solove/> for more information.