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“In response to challenges to membership levels and financial shortfalls, TSSA has contacted GMB to seek a suitable merger partner. Following meetings of the executive committees of both unions, it has been agreed that talks should begin on bringing TSSA into the GMB family.

“For 125 years, TSSA has represented workers across the transport and travel industries. It has a proud history of going the extra mile for members, and is seeking a partner who shares the desire to provide outstanding organisation and representation.

“TSSA believes GMB, as one of the UK and Ireland’s biggest trade unions, has a proven record of treating merger partners with dignity and respect. GMB welcomes the opportunity to bring a historic transport-



based union into its family and is committed to preserving the traditions and industrial identity of TSSA.

“GMB has led the way in the union movement in dealing with issues of historic wrongdoing and discrimination. This learned experience will be of great assistance to TSSA as it responds to the findings of the ongoing inquiry by Baroness Kennedy KC into allegations of sexual misconduct and discrimination.

“In exploring a possible merger, GMB and TSSA will seek to offer a secure and ambitious future for everyone seeking a union that will stand up for its members and make work better.”

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