AUXILIARY NOTES

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The Grind

You know the feeling in your stomach when you know it is all said and done; it's either make it or break it.

I've found myself surrounded by that very feeling many times in my career, as well as in the home projects I take on.

Nevertheless, there is a driving force pushing us all forward. The rush, the excitement and the hope of the future all come together to create the thrill of taking a risk. But it takes quite a few more ingredients to get to the future than just those first steps into unchartered waters, doesn't it?

It takes strength, practice and pride in the grind. The homework, and the struggle that no one else sees. It's the passion for your work or project keeping you taking one step after the other.

This sounds very similar to what we all come together for during show season, doesn't it? It's not such a hard move if the risk you are taking on is one you are passionate about or care about. But those long hours spent dedicated to a singular goal begin to add up and take shape in the form of tomorrow.

That is why we place such a large priority in playing a part in or even starting organizations like these. We see the future in every calf taking its first steps, in every conference where we meet someone new, and especially in every junior working hard each day to reach their goals.

This has been a challenging year already, hasn't it? But we aren't done yet, and we still have hours of work to do. These times are teaching us to be flexible to get it done and trust God's hands in it.

Get excited, learn from others and jump into something new that challenges you.

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