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Unbelievable! On September 10, the auctioneer began the day reminding bidders that all the sales from the Elite Cafe contents would go to Mission Waco’s “Jubilee Food Market” renovation, hoping for the $28,906 goal to reach the remaining 5% estimated budget need of $488,000. At the end of the day, that goal was almost doubled. With the generosity of Chip and Joanna’s donation, the non-profit grocery in the food desert of North Waco can complete construction. Even the auctioneer got into the mood with a 5% donation from the sale. What a day! What a couple! What a city!

Waco Assistant City Manager, Wiley Stem, looked above the front canopy and read “Safeway Grocery” on the steel beams during his recent visit to 1505 N. 15th. As a child, he regularly went with his parents to shop in the store. He, like many of the 70+ year-old Waco residents, bought their groceries in the neighborhood back then. As poverty increased, convenience stores with high prices, liquor, lottery tickets and “one-liners,” replaced the old store. But out of the dust of the past, new life is being breathed into the old building that will house the 6500 sq’ Jubilee Food Mkt, once again with healthy and affordable food for an great neighborhood.