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## EZ RIDE TO AWARD 46 SCHOOLS, 10 MUNICIPALITIES AND 45 CORPORATIONS IN FIVE NEW JERSEY COUNTIES FOR IMPLEMENTING SAFE AND HEALTHY TRANSPORATATION PROGRAMS

October is International Walk to School Month

**CLARK, NEW JERSEY, October 18, 2017**—Tomorrow, Thurs., Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> EZ Ride will present awards to 46 schools, 10 municipalities, and 45 corporations in Bergen, Essex, Monmouth, Passaic and Union Counties for making their communities safer for walkers and bikers, especially school-aged children and their families.

This invitation-only event at The Gran Centurions at <u>440 Madison Hill Rd</u> in Clark from 9 - 11 a.m. will be feature keynote speaker Darrin W. Anderson, Sr., Ph.D., MS. Dr. Anderson is the State Program Director of the New Jersey Partnership for Healthy Kids and Associate Executive Director of the New Jersey YMCA State Alliance. Representatives from the City of Plainfield and BNE Real Estate Group will present their highly successful Safe Routes To School (SRTS) and shuttle programs respectively.

**WHAT:** EZ Ride's annual recognition event includes Safe Routes to School awards to highlight communities that have achieved meaningful change through its walking and bicycling programs and NJ Smart Work Place awards for businesses implementing transportation programs like carpools, vanpools, and employee shuttles.

WHEN: Thurs., Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> from 9-11 a.m.

WHERE: The Gran Centurions at 440 Madison Hill Rd. In Clark

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## About EZ Ride

Founded in 1983, the Meadowlands Transportation Brokerage Corporation d/b/a EZ Ride is a nonprofit, public private partnership with a mission to implement transportation programs and services that enhance the quality of life, regional mobility, and economic opportunity for both people and businesses, while reducing traffic congestion and improving air quality in New Jersey.