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Safety Ties Together Construction Industry

Annual Commemorative Event to be Held May 2 – 6

More than 50 national and global construction firms have joined forces for the annual Safety Week, a construction industry-wide education and awareness event. Safety Week 2016 will be held May 2-6 to align with what the Occupational Safety & Health Administration and other federal agencies have set as the National Safety Stand-Down focusing on fall prevention on the job.

Safety Week is an opportunity for people and companies – even competitors – to work together and rally around a common cause. During Safety Week, construction companies will take the opportunity to thank their employees for the commitment to safety and work to educate, inspire and share best practices. Many companies will conduct on-site safety awareness activities.

"Ask anyone in construction and they will tell you that safety is the number one priority – it crosses competitive boundaries and ties us all together," said Ross Myers, CEO, Allan Myers and Safety Week co-chair.

"That is the reason we've chosen Safety Ties as our theme this year, because the commitment to safety is strongest when it's woven into the culture of our work and is a visible part of our everyday routines and processes. For workers on a job site, this starts with the individual. Every day, each person needs to take responsibility for their own safety and the safety of those around them."

To symbolize Safety Ties, participating companies will launch social media campaigns around photos of bootlaces as a visible homage to Safety Week.

Three major U.S. construction sites will host ceremonial events during which the laces and a "ribbon tying" will be used as powerful emblems of safety.

Job sites include:

- The <u>New NY Bridge</u> (replacing the Tappan Zee), Tarrytown, NY featuring eight general traffic lanes, cashless tolling, bus lanes, bike and pedestrian lanes.
- The <u>35Express Project</u>, Dallas, Texas extending approximately 30 miles, through eight cities and two counties, from US 380 in Denton County to I-635 in Dallas County to relieve traffic congestion.

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• The <u>Crenshaw/LAX Transit project</u>, Los Angeles – an 8.5-mile light-rail line, with eight stations, serving the Crenshaw District, Inglewood, Westchester and surrounding area.

About Safety Week

Safety Week is sponsored by members of The Construction Industry Safety Initiative (CISI) and the Incident & Injury Free Executive Forum (*IIF*™). Additional support comes from the Alliance Partners, many of which are non-profit associations. For more information, visit www.safetyweek2016.com

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