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ACT DRIVERS AWARDED FOR YEARS OF PERFECT SAFETY

PONTOON BEACH, ILL., AUGUST 19, 2022 . . . The Agency for Community Transit (ACT) recognized two fixed-route drivers today and one paratransit driver for consecutive years of perfect safety while driving a public transportation vehicle. ACT operates fixed-route bus service for the Madison County Transit District (MCT). Two ACT drivers, (Abron Scott and David Marshall) were recognized for 10 years of perfect safety, and one, (Connie Ballard) was recognized for 15 years of perfect safety.

As defined by the National Safety Council, to retain the 'perfect safety' designation, drivers must, in all situations, make every effort possible to avoid an accident. Over the course of the last ten years, these drivers have each logged more than 20,000 hours behind the wheel of a transit vehicle without a preventable accident. The driver with 15 years has logged more than 30,000 hours behind the wheel.

"The National Safety Council's standards for perfect safety are very rigid," said ACT Executive Director SJ Morrison. "To drive for 10 or 15 years without a preventable accident is a difficult milestone to reach. We're really proud of these individuals for their diligence and for their ongoing service to the people of Madison County."

Editors Note: Please see attached photos.

Photo 1 (left to right): ACT Executive Director SJ Morrison, ACT Board member Chrissy Wiley, ACT Drivers David Marshall and Abron Scott, Manager of Fixed Route Services Pam Ruyle, ACT Board Vice President Ron Jedda, President Mark Achenbach and member Lisa Ciampoli.

Photo 2 (left to right): Manager of Paratransit Services Susan Thomas, ACT Driver Connie Ballard, and ACT Executive Director SJ Morrison.

Agency for Community Transit, Inc. is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization incorporated in the State of Illinois. In addition to the Community Action Grants, ACT operates all services for Madison County Transit (MCT), including the fixed-route bus system, the Runabout paratransit service, the regional rideshare program known as RideFinders, and the ongoing maintenance and expansion of the MCT Trails bikeway system.

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