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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### **MSC INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY CO. NAMED CHAPTER CHAMPION FOR THE LONG ISLAND CHAPTER OF THE JUVENILE DIABETES RESEARCH FOUNDATION**

*New Role Entitles Company to be Presenting Sponsor for Three Major LIJDRF Events*

**MELVILLE, NY, OCTOBER 22, 2010** — The Long Island Chapter of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (LIJDRF) is excited to announce that MSC Industrial Supply Company of Melville has become its inaugural Chapter Champion Sponsor. This honor entitles the company to act as Presenting Sponsor for LIJDRF's three major annual events: the Walk to Cure Diabetes, the Tee Up to Cure Diabetes golf outing, and the Spring Gala.

This year's Walk (held October 3, October 17 and October 24) marks the company's first event under its new sponsorship position. MSC presented LIJDRF with a check in the amount of \$50,000 at the MSC offices in Melville. MSC also took part in the ribbon cutting ceremony at the Sunday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> walk, which successfully took in 6,000 participants, the most ever in Chapter history. Two upcoming Walks will be held at SUNY Old Westbury on Sunday, October 17 and Suffolk County Community College at Riverhead on Sunday, October 24.

Although the inaugural Chapter Champion, MSC has teamed up with LIJDRF over the years, contributing to Golf Outings and Walks since 2003. "MSC Industrial Supply Co. is proud to partner with the LIJDRF in their mission to find a cure for diabetes," says Alessandra Cavalluzzi, senior manager of community relations for MSC Industrial Supply. "MSC is committed to supporting the communities where we live and work, and we are honored to partner with JDRF and many other amazing non-profit organizations in our community. We are excited to be named the first Chapter Champions for LIJDRF, and we hope that our contribution will continue to move research forward, so that a cure may be found for diabetes."

"JDRF is delighted that MSC Industrial Supply Co. has stepped up to help us fund research for a cure for diabetes," says Barbara Rogus, executive director for LIJDRF. "Tens of thousands of Long Island kids who deal with the rigors of diabetes all day, every day rely on the generosity of corporations to help improve the outlook for diabetes."

Since its founding in 1941, MSC Industrial Supply Co., Inc. has set the industry standard for quality, selection, and customer service; making the company one of the nation's leading distributors of metalworking and maintenance, repair and operating supplies.

JDRF, the leading charitable fundraiser and advocate of type 1 diabetes research worldwide, was founded in 1970 by the parents of children with juvenile diabetes – a disease which strikes children

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suddenly, makes them insulin-dependent for life, and carries the constant threat of devastating complications. Since its inception, JDRF has provided more than \$1.3 BILLION DOLLARS in direct funding to diabetes research. In a typical year, 85 percent of JDRF's expenditures directly support research and research-related education.

JDRF's mission is constant: to find a cure for diabetes and its complications through the support of research. To register, become a sponsor, or find out more about all of the above events and more, please visit the JDRF Web site at [www.jdrf.org](http://www.jdrf.org) or call 631-414-1126.

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