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National EMS Memorial Bike Ride Coming to Sacramento

SACRAMENTO – The National Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Memorial Bike Ride will be coming to Sacramento on September 29, 2016 as more than two dozen riders make their way from Reno, Nevada to their destination near the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco.

On September 29, 2016 from 8:15 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Dr. Howard Backer, Director of the California Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA) will host a special commemorative ceremony in front of EMSA's headquarters to recognize the riders and support crews, and provide them with support as they begin the fourth leg of their trip to Vacaville. The ceremony will feature a presentation of the colors by Hiram Johnson high school Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps members, a bagpipe performance of Amazing Grace by Sacramento Firefighters Pipe and Drum, a reading of the names of deceased EMS personnel, as well as remarks from Dr. Howard Backer and Elizabeth "Beth" Kirkland Davis, president of National EMS Memorial Bike Ride, Inc. Members of the public and media are encouraged to attend the ceremony.

The National EMS Memorial Bike Ride honors EMS workers by organizing cycling events that memorialize and celebrate the lives of the men and women who serve in the EMS profession every day, those who have become sick or disabled performing their duties, and those who have died in the line of duty. Visit their website at www.muddyangels.com.

Time: 8:15 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

Date: Thursday, September 29, 2016.

Location: California EMS Authority – 10901 Gold Center Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670