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The 2019 MBA Safety Champion Award

Presented to Bob Simpson, Project Superintendent, PJ Dick Incorporated

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Pittsburgh, PA – The Master Builders' Association of Western Pennsylvania, Inc. (MBA) is pleased to announce the 2019 Safety Champion Award winner, Bob Simpson, Project Superintendent, PJ Dick Incorporated. The award was presented at the thirteenth annual Construction Industry Evening of Excellence on Thursday, February 27, 2020, at the Heinz Field East Club. The event attracted nearly 1,400 construction industry professionals.

The MBA Risk Management Committee established the Safety Champion Award to recognize one individual, who is known within their company and the construction industry as a person who consistently practices the safety leadership skills needed to create a strong jobsite and organizational safety climate.

MBA members submit individuals within their company who they feel exemplify the very best qualities of safety leadership. An independent panel of judges consisting of locally and nationally recognized safety professionals evaluate each application. The winner is then selected based upon six safety leadership criteria including: their commitment to safety, display of caring and respect for their fellow worker, and what they have done to go above and beyond traditional safety efforts to ensure that their co-workers go home healthy and safe each day.

Bob Simpson was the judge's unanimous winner. They were particularly impressed that Bob had conducted and documented over 500 "Safety Snapshots" totaling more than 12,500 meaningful and impactful safety conversations with employees to help keep them safe. Bob was presented with the Safety Champion Award by Kevin Cannon and Nazia Shah of the Associated General Contractors of America. During his remarks Cannon commented, "Bob Simpson is a great example of how personal safety is to our professionals and how dedicated they are to the well-being of everyone on our projects."

About the MBA

Since 1886, MBA contractors have set the standard in Western PA for construction excellence by investing in a skilled workforce, implementing award-winning safety programs and offering the best in management expertise. For more information on the MBA, please call 412-922-3912 or visit <u>www.mbawpa.org</u>

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