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**NATIONAL MOSQUITO CONTROL AWARENESS WEEK 2016**

The week of June 26 – July 1, 2016 has been declared the twentieth annual “National Mosquito Control Awareness Week” by the American Mosquito Control Association (AMCA). The AMCA, an international organization of nearly 2,000 public health professionals, has been dedicated to preserving the public’s health and well-being through safe, environmentally sound mosquito control programs since 1935. During “Mosquito Week” the AMCA’s goal is to educate the general public about the significance of mosquitoes in their daily lives and the important service provided by mosquito control workers throughout the United States and worldwide.

Displays, lectures, demonstrations and educational programs for children are just a few events which will focus on mosquitoes as disease carriers and pests. Information on the mosquito life cycle and tips on how to eliminate mosquito egg-laying sites around homes will help citizens reduce the numbers of mosquitoes in their own neighborhoods.

*For more information on local events during “Mosquito Week”, please call the local media contact above. For more information on national events, please call or e-mail Joe Conlon, the national media contact listed above.*