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ZENON BILAS JOINS STEERED STRAIGHT SPEAKER ROSTER

Zenon Bilas, nine-time US national barefoot waterskiing champion, has been selected by Steered Straight as a motivational celebrity speaker. He brings his unique perspective of clean living and positive life choices to the organization that has traditionally focused on anti-drug education for teenagers from the viewpoints of those personally touched by addiction.

As an internationally-recognized athlete, coach, author and speaker based in West Palm Beach, Florida, 60-year old Bilas attributes his numerous career and barefoot competition successes to the healthy lifestyle decisions he made when young. Having always focused on continually improving every aspect of his life, he is a life-long advocate of temperance.

Bilas joins the ranks of such notable Steered Straight speakers as award-winning actor Tony Denison, sports and celebrity agent Darren Prince and globally-recognized addiction recovery experts Jennifer Gimenez and Tim Ryan. Bilas' message of "harness your passion and rise to your potential in life" provides a distinctive counterpoint to other Steered Straight "drugs to sobriety" presenters.

"I'm excited to be part of the Steered Straight organization," said Bilas. "Teens don't have the capacity to grasp how trying even a small amount of alcohol or drugs can lead them down a destructive path. By

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offering exciting alternatives like boating and sports such as barefoot waterskiing and wake surfing, we can help them build the foundation for what could become a lifetime of success and physical wellbeing." His speaking topics can be fine-tuned for specific audiences: Create Your Own Path, From Passion to Profession, The Art of Success, Maximum Exposure and I Have No Age.

Founded in 2007 by Michael and Darla DeLeon, Steered Straight, Inc. teaches teenagers the harsh realities of drug usage through in-person presentations. It has an extensive roster of dynamic speakers who deliver engaging and powerful messages that resonate with youth, motivating them to avoid the pitfalls of addiction while boosting their self-esteem. The Murfreesboro, Tennessee-based nonprofit organization offers programs tailored for school groups, parents, inmates and communities. Its website is www.steeredstraight.org.

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