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## City of Perris Participates in National Walk to School Day



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PERRIS, Calif. (October 2, 2019) -- The City of Perris staff and elected officials participated in the National Walk to School Event on October 2, 2019 to do their part to raise awareness and support for the health, community and environmental benefits of regularly walking or biking to school.

The nationwide event aims to promote healthy lifestyles and safer routes for students to get school – a theme that was right on par with the thoughts of Perris Mayor Michael M. Vargas.



"One of the main things about today is to learn safe routes to school," said Vargas. "We want all our children to learn to walk in groups, stay together and understand where the safest routes are between their home and school."



Perris Council Member Marisela Magaña was also in attendance and echoed the importance of health and safe communities.



"International Walk to School Day is a great initiative to highlight the health benefits of walking to school and building community," said Magaña. "It is critical that we foster safe communities to encourage our students and their families to walk to school."



The event is organized nationally by the Partnership for a Walkable America. Walk to School Day in the USA began in 1997 as a one-day event and is now held every year on the first Wednesday in October.



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