





RITBA ANNOUNCES SAVE THE BAY TO RECEIVE PROCEEDS FROM '4 BRIDGES RIDE'

JAMESTOWN– The Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority (RITBA) announced today that Save The Bay, the Rhode Island-based nonprofit will receive 100% of the net proceeds following the 4 Bridges Ride (Ride) charitable event. The Ride will be held on Saturday, May 2 and is projected to have over 750 riders.

"Save The Bay does a tremendous amount of work to raise awareness and funding for Rhode Island's critical waterways," said Buddy Croft, Executive Director of RITBA. "The 4 Bridges Ride showcases southeastern Rhode Island's bridges and waterways which have seen dramatic improvement thanks to the efforts of great organizations like Save The Bay."

"We could not be more pleased to be named the charitable beneficiary for this exciting event," said Jonathan Stone, Executive Director of Save The Bay. "As cyclists cross these beautiful bridges, it will only reinforce the notion of stewarding our environment and sustaining the natural resources of our great state."

The <u>4 Bridges Ride</u> is a three year old charity event sponsored by RITBA and produced by <u>Gray Matter Marketing</u>. The ride follows a 26 mile route over the Verrazano, Pell, Sakonnet and Mt. Hope Bridges. For more information and to register for the ride visit: <u>www.4bridgesride.com</u>.

Save The Bay was founded in 1970, and works to protect and improve Narragansett Bay and its watershed through advocacy, education, and restoration efforts. It envisions a fully swimmable, fishable, healthy Narragansett Bay, accessible to everyone and globally recognized as an environmental treasure.