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New Jersey SmartCEO Announces the 2016 Brava Award Winners

*40 powerhouse female business leaders to be recognized in
SmartCEO's Brava Awards program*

Old Bridge, NJ (May 6, 2016) — New Jersey SmartCEO is pleased to announce the 2016 Brava Award winners. The Brava Awards celebrate the distinguished achievements of 40 of New Jersey's top women business leaders. This year's class collectively generates more than \$2.83 billion in annual revenue and employs 14,457 individuals. The winners will be profiled in the July/August issue of *SmartCEO* magazine and celebrated at an awards ceremony on June 23, 2016 at the Grand Marquis.

"Brava winners possess the hallmark qualities of successful leaders — vision, passion, compassion, dedication, perseverance. Each winner in this year's class exhibits these qualities in all facets of her life, from running her business to tending to her family and donating time and resources to philanthropic initiatives," says Jaime Nesor-Zawmon, president of SmartCEO. "We are honored to recognize a group of women who are truly making a difference in the world."

The New Jersey Brava Awards ceremony was held on June 23, 2016 where more than 350 local executives and guests gathered and celebrated their noteworthy achievements. Past Brava winners were also in attendance to welcome the new class of winners into the Brava community.

About the Brava Awards

The Brava Awards program celebrates high-impact female business leaders in three categories: CEOs, Executive Directors of Nonprofits, and C-suite executives. Brava award winners combine their irrepressible entrepreneurial spirit with a passion for giving back to the community, and are exemplary leaders of both their companies and their communities. They encourage local philanthropy, mentor up-and-coming leaders and set their companies on the path to tremendous growth. Each year, an independent committee of local business leaders selects winners based on company growth, community impact and mentoring. SmartCEO shares their inspiring stories in *SmartCEO* magazine and celebrates their success at a high-energy awards gala.