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SHAPIRO RECOGNIZED BY THE AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION AS A GOLD START FIT FRIENDLY COMPANY

Baltimore, MD – Samuel Shapiro & Company, Inc., the 93-year old leader in global logistics and regulatory compliance, is pleased to announce that, for the second year in a row, the American Heart Association's Start! Program has named Shapiro a Gold Start Fit Friendly Company. Samuel Shapiro will be the only Customs Broker in the United States to have received this award.

The Start! Fit-Friendly Companies Program is a catalyst for positive change in American business. Companies throughout the nation can be part of the Start! movement by demonstrating progressive leadership by making the health and wellness of their employees a priority.

Samuel Shapiro was recognized as a Gold Level Start! Fit Friendly Company for offering employees physical activity support, increasing healthy eating options at the worksite, promoting a wellness culture, and implementing at least nine criteria as outlined by the AHA in the areas of physical activity, nutrition, and culture.

"When this program was launched we increased productivity and overall wellness for every employee that participated in the program," said Janell Rotella, who led the Fit Friendly Program for Shapiro.

Samuel Shapiro & Company, Inc. will be mentioned in the October 27th issue of Forbes Magazine as one of the top fit friendly companies that met the American Heart Association's criteria for employee fitness.

To view the full list of fit friendly companies, visit the American Heart Association's website at <http://www.americanheart.org/presenter.jhtml?identifier=3046398>

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