

Make-A-Wish Foundation®
of New Jersey
1034 Salem Road
Union, NJ 07083-7058
908-964-5055 , 800-252-WISH
908-964-0082 fax
www.wishnj.org

Press inquiries contact:
Mabel Aragon, Communications Director
maragon@wishnj.org



MAKE·A·WISH®

WORLD RECORD FLIGHT BENEFITS **MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION® OF NEW JERSEY**

UNION, N.J. (April 15, 2009) - The Make-A-Wish Foundation® of New Jersey today announced that Jared Isaacman set a new world record for circumnavigating the globe in a Cessna Citation CJ2, while raising funds and awareness for the Foundation. The 26-year-old New Jersey native who is the founder and CEO of United Bank Card, Inc. arrived with his co-pilot Doug Demko on Wednesday, April 15 around 7:45 a.m. at the Morristown Municipal Airport after completing 22,893 miles in 61 hours, 51 minutes and 15 seconds. Joining them on the flight was a representative of the National Aeronautic Association who kept an accurate account of their time throughout the journey.

“We are thrilled by Jared’s accomplishment,” said Tom Weatherall, Make-A-Wish Foundation of New Jersey President and CEO. “He didn’t just break the record, he annihilated it. His adventure resonated with our wish children. Jared did it for them and it means so much to the families, particularly during these harsh economic times. It lets them know that they have not been forgotten.”

Isaacman beat the Speed Around the World Eastbound record by an astounding 21 hours. He broke an additional 14 world records during his flight. The previous world record for aerial circumnavigation by a light jet was set at about 82 hours. In 2008, Isaacman and his team were one hour short of their attempt to break the record, but in the process obtained 17 other world records.

“There was some unfinished business from 2008 that we needed to complete,” said Isaacman. “It was a wonderful adventure that allowed us to fly around the world, while raising funds for an important organization such as the Make-A-Wish Foundation. We had a lot to do in a short period of time, but fortunately we accomplished our goal in record time.”

The public can continue to make donations to the Make-A-Wish Foundation of New Jersey by visiting www.speedaroundtheworld.com. Isaacman will match all donations made on the web site up to \$20,000.

About Make-A-Wish Foundation

The Make-A-Wish Foundation grants the wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions to enrich the human experience with hope, strength, and joy. Since its inception in 1983, the New Jersey chapter has granted almost 6,000 wishes. The Make-A-Wish Foundation is the largest wish-granting charity in the world, with 65 chapters in the United States and its territories.



Information filed with the Attorney General concerning this charitable solicitation may be obtained from the Attorney General of the State of New Jersey by calling 973-504-6215. Registration with the Attorney General does not imply endorsement.