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## JR. DRAG RACING WEEK MOVING TO ZMAX DRAGWAY IN CHARLOTTE JULY 10-18, INCLUDES PRESTIGIOUS NHRA JR. DRAG RACING EASTERN CONFERENCE FINALS

**CONCORD, N.C.** (June 19, 2020) – The future stars of the National Hot Rod Association will compete at zMAX Dragway, <u>July 10-18</u>, when the 'Bellagio of Drag Strips' hosts the wildly popular Jr. Drag Racing Week that will conclude with the prestigious NHRA Jr. Drag Racing League Eastern Conference Finals.

More than 500 of the best NHRA Jr. Drag Racing League competitors from the East Coast, including competition age groups for 6-12 year olds and 13-17 year olds, are expected to compete in the annual event that has been held at Bristol Dragway since 2004. The location for this year's event had to be moved to North Carolina due to a last-minute scheduling adjustment made between the two Speedway Motorsports racing facilities.

"Event scheduling has been a very fluid situation in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic and due to some recent schedule adjustments at Speedway Motorsports we are announcing today that the NHRA Jr. Drag Racing Week, which includes the NHRA Jr. Drag Racing League Eastern Conference Finals, is now moving down the road to our sister track, zMAX Dragway at Charlotte Motor Speedway," said Jerry Caldwell, executive vice president and general manager of Bristol Dragway.

"It was important to all of us to keep the Jr. Drag Racing Week on its original dates of July 10-18 rather than modify the schedule," Caldwell continued. "We understand that these are the future stars of the sport and they have been planning for this July event for many months now. We are happy that zMAX Dragway will be able to provide a great championship experience for all of the kids in a first-class facility with a beautiful setting. We wish all of the competitors good luck and we look forward to seeing everyone back at Thunder Valley in 2021." The fun begins Friday-Sunday, July 10-12, with the Huddleston Performance Jr. Dragster Nationals presented by Mike Bos Chassis Craft. New for 2020, Friday night will include both the inaugural Mike Bos Memorial Parents Race as well as the new Prelude to the Shootout race. Time trials for both events will be conducted prior to eliminations. A \$40 entry fee is required for the Parents Race, with a trophy going to the winner. In order to be eligible for the race, each competing race vehicle must be driven in competition by a junior racer during the week