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## News Release

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### **Applied Industrial Technologies Receives 2017 NorthCoast 99 Award**

*Recognized as One of the Best Workplaces in Northeast Ohio for 17<sup>th</sup> Year*

**CLEVELAND, OH (September 26, 2017)** – Applied Industrial Technologies (NYSE: AIT) has been named one of Northeast Ohio’s best workplaces for top talent for the 17<sup>th</sup> year. Founded in 1999, the annual NorthCoast 99 Award honors a total of 99 great workplaces based on their ability to attract, retain and motivate top performers.

“We are very pleased to be recognized again as a great workplace in Northeast Ohio,” says Kurt Loring, Vice President – Chief Human Resources Officer for Applied®. “One of our highest priorities is attracting, recruiting, developing and retaining the best associates, and we are committed to developing programs that engage our associates and help them succeed,” adds Loring.

Companies are evaluated on various organizational practices, including: talent acquisition and attraction efforts, professional development initiatives, work/life support, compensation, and benefits. The NorthCoast 99 Award program is managed by Employers Resource Council (ERC), Northeast Ohio’s largest professional organization dedicated to HR best practices.

#### **About Applied**

Founded in 1923, Applied Industrial Technologies is a leading distributor of bearings, power transmission products, fluid power components, and other industrial supplies, serving MRO and OEM customers in virtually every industry. In addition, Applied provides engineering, design and systems integration for industrial and fluid power applications, as well as customized mechanical, fabricated rubber and fluid power shop services. Applied also offers storeroom services and inventory management solutions that provide added value to its customers. For more information, visit [www.applied.com](http://www.applied.com).

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