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Mississippi Farmers Market Extends Days of Operation Ahead of Summer Kick-Off *Mississippi Farmers Market Now Open Thursdays*

JACKSON, Miss. – The Mississippi Farmers Market is extending its operating hours ahead of the annual Summer Kick-Off event. Starting Thursday, June 9, the market will be open each Thursday from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. throughout the summer. This is in addition to its year-round operating hours of Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

While seasonal items last, shoppers can expect to find a variety of produce and herbs at the Mississippi Farmers Market every Thursday this summer. In addition to produce, shoppers will find a variety of beef, pork, and lamb cuts; dairy products such as milk and cheeses; eggs; honey; tea; coffee; jams and jellies; breads and other baked goods; sauces and dressings; canned foods; flowers and plants; and much more on Saturdays.

In conjunction with its extended summertime hours, the Mississippi Farmers Market will host the annual Summer Kick-Off on Saturday, June 18, starting at 8:00 a.m. Shoppers will be treated to complimentary popcorn, children's activities including face painting and games, vendor giveaways, musical entertainment, and specialty cold drink refreshers, gelati desserts and snack foods available for purchase from the Fizz Pop Soda Shop.

The City Limits Café and Genuine MS® Store, both located inside of the Mississippi Farmers Market, will also be open to the public. The Café serves breakfast from 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and lunch from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. every weekday; it is also open from 7:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. every Saturday. The Genuine MS® Store is open Thursday and Friday from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. and on Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

The Mississippi Farmers Market, a division of the Mississippi Department of Agriculture and Commerce, is open every Thursday from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. and every Saturday from 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. For more information about the Mississippi Farmers Market, visit www.msfarmersmarket.com or follow the Mississippi Farmers Market on Facebook.

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