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Mississippi Farmers Market Extending Days of Operation Mississippi Farmers Market Now Open Thursdays

**JACKSON, Miss.** – The Mississippi Farmers Market is extending its operating hours. Starting Thursday, May 28, 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.

"The arrival of the summer season means more produce available from our farmers. We are opening the Mississippi Farmers Market on Thursdays, in addition to our Saturday market, to give the public the opportunity to purchase Mississippi grown and raised products during the week. The vendors are continuing to take the necessary precautions and following CDC recommendations such as social distancing to ensure the safety of our shoppers," said Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce Andy Gipson.

Shoppers can expect to find a variety of produce and herbs at the Mississippi Farmers Market including fresh garlic, onions, beets, radishes, squash, cucumbers, snap peas, snap pole beans, swiss chard, lettuce, mint, dill, chives, bok choy, mustard greens, oregano, fingerling sweet potatoes, tomatoes, kale, hakurei salad turnips, zucchini, mixed salad greens, spinach, shiitake mushrooms, peas, carrots, variety of peppers, broccoli, new potatoes, blueberries, blackberries, cauliflower, cabbage, mizuna, parsley, sage leaves, microgreens, celery, and peaches. In addition to produce, shoppers will find a variety of beef, pork, and lamb cuts; dairy products such as milk and cheeses; eggs; honey, rice; tea; coffee; jams and jellies; breads and other baked goods; sauces and dressings; canned foods; flowers and plants; homemade soap; lip balms; and much more.

The Mississippi Farmers Market is located at 929 High Street, adjacent to the Mississippi Fairgrounds. The Market is open Thursdays 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. For more information about the Market or to find out what's fresh each week, call (601) 354-6573, go online to www.msfarmersmarket.com, or visit the Mississippi Farmers Market on Facebook, Instagram or Twitter.