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Maine Foods, Inc.**

**What: Cal-Maine Foods, Inc. donates 20,033 dozen eggs to
Mississippi Food Network**

When: Monday, April 19; 2:00 p.m.

**Where: Mississippi Food Network
(440 W. Beatty Street, Jackson, MS 39201)**

Cal-Maine Foods, Inc. to Donate 20,033 Dozen Eggs to Mississippi Food Network

JACKSON, Miss. – On Monday, April 19, at 2:00 p.m., Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce Andy Gipson will be on hand as Cal-Maine Foods, Inc. donates 20,033 dozen eggs to Mississippi Food Network. The donation will be made to help Mississippi families during the continuing COVID-19 pandemic.

Many Mississippi families continue to feel the effects of the COVID-19 Pandemic. To help those in need during this unprecedented time and in recognition of National Egg Month, Cal-Maine Foods, Inc. together with Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce Andy Gipson, will donate 240,400 eggs to Mississippi Food Network. Mississippi Food Network has been feeding Mississippians since 1984 and distributes more than 1.5 million pounds of food and feeds more than 150,000 people every month.

Mississippi Food Network is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to relieve poverty-related hunger in the area by distributing donated and purchased food and grocery products through a network of member churches and non-profit organizations.

Cal-Maine Foods, Inc. is the largest producer and marketer of shell eggs in the United States and is based in Jackson, Miss. Cal-Maine operates a total flock of approximately 40 million layers and 11 million pullets and breeders and is the largest in the U.S. In 2020, Cal-Maine Foods, Inc. sold approximately 1,069 million dozen shell eggs.

Visit [IncredibleEgg.org](https://www.incredibleegg.org) for more information about eggs.

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Note to Media: The media is invited to attend. Commissioner Gipson and representatives from the Mississippi Food Network and Cal-Maine Foods, Inc., will be available to speak to the media.

