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Breeding Females Added to the 2019 Indiana State Fair Celebration of Champions

Indianapolis, IN – The Indiana State Fair Board and Indiana State Fair Commission have approved the addition of breeding females to the 2019 Indiana State Fair Celebration of Champions. This transformative event provides monetary awards to the best-of-the-best at the Indiana State Fair to be held August 2-18 at the Indiana State Fairgrounds & Event Center in Indianapolis.

In addition to the 26 champions currently recognized at Celebration of Champions, the 2019 event will also include 15 breeding female champions that exemplify the very best seedstock the state of Indiana has to offer.

- 4-H Supreme Champion and Reserve Supreme Champion Beef Heifers
- 4-H Supreme Champion and Reserve Supreme Champion Gilts
- 4-H Supreme Champion and Reserve Supreme Champion Ewes
- 4-H Supreme Champion and Reserve Supreme Champion Dairy Cows
- 4-H Supreme Champion and Reserve Supreme Champion Dairy Heifers
- 4-H Supreme Champion Full Blood & Supreme Champion Percentage Meat Goat Does
- 4-H Supreme Champion Sr. & Supreme Champion Jr. Dairy Goat Does
- 4-H Best Exhibition in Show Poultry

The Celebration of Champions recognizes 4-H youth competing at the Indiana State Fair by offering a dinner event featuring monetary awards that celebrate achievement, scholarship, and hard work. Held at the Indiana Farmers Coliseum on Sunday, August 18, the event is a fitting end to the annual Indiana State Fair.

The Celebration of Champions is entirely underwritten by philanthropic support. With oversight from The Indiana State Fair Foundation and the Indiana State Fair Board, a committee will work to secure gifts from potential donors within the state-wide agricultural community. No gifts may be restricted to specific individuals. Unless otherwise specified, all gifts will be restricted to Celebration of Champions in the Youth Development Fund of the Indiana State Fair Foundation.

About the Indiana State Fair Foundation The Indiana State Fair Foundation raises funds to support year-round agriculture education, youth development and campus stewardship of the Indiana State Fairgrounds & Event Center. The Foundation was established in 2011 to raise private funding to renovate the Indiana Farmers Coliseum. More than \$10 million was raised for the iconic building. Annually, the Foundation raises over \$150,000 for the Celebration of Champions which provides



monetary awards and a dinner program for 4-H youth who represent the best of the best at the Indiana State Fair. The Foundation also helps fund year-round agriculture education field trips hosting 10,000 school children a year at the Fairgrounds through The BARNs Global Learning Initiative. For more information or to make a donation, visit www.IndianaStateFairFoundation.org.

About the Indiana State Fairgrounds & Event Center The Indiana State Fairgrounds & Event Center is a modern public event facility that annually hosts more than 400 meetings, shows, sports and agricultural events, including the Indiana State Fair. The year-round management of the Fairgrounds is overseen by the Indiana State Fair Commission which is a quasi-governmental agency that was established in 1992, with the mission to preserve and enhance the Indiana State Fairgrounds and the annual Indiana State Fair for the benefit of all citizens of Indiana. Additional information is available at www.indianastatefair.com.

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