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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### **Local Chef to be named Market Master Chef at Birmingham Farmers Market Chef Clash Sunday: June 23 from 10 a.m. - noon**

**BIRMINGHAM, MI**, June 13, 2019 – On Sunday, June 23 from 10 a.m. to noon, Birmingham’s top chefs will compete live at the Birmingham Farmers Market. Chefs will be challenged with two dishes, one savory and one sweet. They will be judged on interaction with patrons, taste and overall presentation.

Chefs must complete their dishes using mystery ingredients from the market’s vendors. Local celebrities and community leaders will score each dish and announce the 2019 Birmingham Farmers Market Master Chef. Those competing this year include: Chef Devon Follbaum from Fleming’s Prime Steakhouse & Wine Bar, a chef from Adachi, and more. Chef Clash judges include: Patty Bordman, Birmingham Mayor; Sue Selasky, food writer at the Detroit Free Press; and Brittne Drake, manager of Primi Piatti.



Come watch this display of friendly competition at the Birmingham Farmers Market! There will also be samples for shoppers to taste from each chef’s restaurant. A special thank you to the 2019 Birmingham Farmers Market Chef Clash sponsor, Primi Piatti Market.

Other upcoming special events at the market include: Corn Festival on August 11 (featuring all things corn, with special crafts, games and old-fashioned corn shelling), the Harvest Fest on September 15 (celebrating the bounty of the Michigan harvest with a petting farm) and the End of Season Celebration on October 27 (come in costume and trick-or-treat among the vendors, plus enjoy pumpkin carving demonstrations).

The Birmingham Farmers Market is open every Sunday from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. through October 27 and proudly features exclusively Michigan-grown produce subject to Michigan growing patterns. The market offers a hometown experience that’s fun for all ages, with fresh prepared foods, live music, a children’s craft area and more. Throughout the season more than 70 booths feature a diverse array of locally and regionally grown produce, vegetables, fruits, flowers, garden plants, eggs, honey, jams, fresh meat, poultry, soaps, dog treats, breads, baked goods and hand-crafted items.

Shoppers can access the most up-to-date information about the market by “liking” the Birmingham Farmers Market Facebook page, following us on Twitter @BhamFarmMkt, Instagram @BhamFarmMkt, or visiting [www.birminghamfarmersmarket.org](http://www.birminghamfarmersmarket.org). For information about other Birmingham events, “like” the Birmingham Shopping District Facebook page, follow us on Twitter and Instagram @BhamShopping or call (248) 530-1200.