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CELEBRATING YOUTH AND LIVESTOCK AT THE 2014 KENTUCKY STATE FAIR SALE OF CHAMPIONS

LOUISVILLE, KY (August 21, 2014) – The Kentucky State Fair’s 4-H and FFA Sale of Champions concluded this evening with \$105,000 raised during the live auction. This premier livestock auction marked the ninth consecutive year that the auction raised more than \$100,000.

The winning steers, hogs, lambs and goats featured in the Sale of Champions are exhibited by 4-H and FFA members during the Kentucky State Fair. The youth exhibitors receive 60 percent of the purchase price, 30 percent is distributed to the respective class winners, and the remaining 10 percent is divided equally among Kentucky 4-H and FFA.

Since the Kentucky State Fair Sale of Champions’ inception in 1980, more than \$2.220 million has been raised through the auction to further promote and encourage the continuation of youth involvement in agribusiness.

The 2014 Kentucky State Fair Sale of Champions exhibitors, purchasers and sale prices are:

SUPREME GRAND CHAMPION STEER - \$21,000

Exhibited by: A.K. Phillips, Fleming County FFA

Purchased by: Kentucky Farm Bureau Insurance, Kentucky Cattlemen’s Association, Cargill, Southern States of Maysville & Flemingsburg, Hinton Mills, Michael & Julie Peterson

RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION STEER - \$20,000

Exhibited by: Dalton Anderson, Kenton County 4-H

Purchased by: Centerplate, Inc., Kentucky 4-H Foundation, Carney’s Feedmill, VitaLix, Alison Lundergan Grimes

SUPREME GRAND CHAMPION MARKET HOG - \$13,000

Exhibited by: Ruth Ann Myers, Boyle County FFA

Purchased by: Kentucky Pork Producers, Kentucky Soybean Board, Fifth Third Bank, Hilton Garden Inn, Sam Moore

RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION MARKET HOG - \$11,000

Exhibited by: Gary Nelson Barger, Meade County FFA

Purchased by: Kentucky Corn Growers Association, Ed and Pat Jenkins, Farm Credit Mid-America, Judah Real Estate Group, Friends of the Sale

SUPREME GRAND CHAMPION MARKET LAMB - \$10,000

Exhibited by: Jackson Campbell, Logan County FFA

Purchased by: North American Midway Entertainment, Kentucky FFA Foundation, PNC Bank, Kentucky Livestock Improvement Association

RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION MARKET LAMB - \$9,000

Exhibited by: Allison Breeze, Mason County FFA

Purchased by: Galt House & Crowne Plaza, Kentucky Association of Fairs & Horse Shows, Central Farm Supply, Kenton County 4-H Livestock, Monsanto, Continental Industries

SUPREME GRAND CHAMPION MARKET GOAT - \$11,000

Exhibited by: Blake Quiggins, Hart County FFA

Purchased by: Ron & Lynn Carmicle, Tom & Wendy Schifano, Bill Malone, Kentucky Kingdom and Hurricane Bay, Green Hill Productions

RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION MARKET GOAT - \$10,000

Exhibited by: Chesney Soileau, Bourbon County FFA

Purchased by: Kentucky Goat Producers Association, Paris Stockyards, Jefferson County Farm Bureau, Braxton & Hampton Burghy, Jack Henry, Lucy & Hadley Szydlowski, Ann Bakhaus, Bourbon County Farm Bureau

Photos available upon request.

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About the Kentucky State Fair

The Kentucky State Fair is an 11-day celebration of the history, heritage and culture of the Bluegrass State. More than 600,000 attend America's largest indoor fair, which uses over 1.2 million square feet of contiguous exhibit space at the Kentucky Exposition Center. While its roots are in agriculture, the Kentucky State Fair has grown into a trade and public education exposition, as well as a major entertainment venue. The World's Championship Horse Show, held during the Fair, is the world's richest and most prestigious Saddlebred show. Attendees and exhibitors contribute over \$16.8 million annually in economic impact. The Kentucky State Fair & World's Championship Horse Show are owned and produced by the Kentucky State Fair Board, an agency of the Kentucky Tourism, Arts and Heritage Cabinet.