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### **Green City Market Returns to the Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum Wednesdays and Saturdays, November 7 to December 23, 2009**

**CHICAGO** (September 1, 2009) – The Green City Market returns to the Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum this fall beginning November 7. The Market will be held on the permeable paver lot at the north end of the Nature Museum, located at 2430 N. Cannon Drive in Lincoln Park, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Wednesdays and Saturdays, November 7 through December 23. There is no market on November 28.

“Last fall, more than 7,600 Chicago-area food lovers attended the Green City Market at the Nature Museum,” said Lyle Allen, executive director of the Green City Market. “We are excited that the Museum will continue to host the Market, giving us the opportunity to provide Chicagoans with an array of delicious local products.”

The Green City Market features a rich selection of organic and sustainable foods including fresh fruits and vegetables, local meat and poultry, farmer-made sausages, cheese, dairy and baked goods. The fall market will also feature demonstrations from local chefs.

“The Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum is very pleased to continue its important partnership with the Green City Market for the third straight year,” said Donna Gustafsson, Nature Museum president and CEO. “Hosting the Green City Market is a natural fit for the Museum, as both organizations promote a healthier Chicago through nature education and a growing appreciation for local and sustainable food and products.”

Admission to Green City Market at the Nature Museum is free and market visitors can explore the Nature Museum for free on Market days.

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### **About the Green City Market**

*Green City Market, a 501(c) 3 not for profit organization, opened in 1999. Green City Market's mission is to improve the availability of a diverse range of high quality foods; to connect local producers and farmers to chefs, restaurateurs, institutions, food organizations and the public; to support small family farms; and, to promote a healthier society through education and appreciation for local, fresh, sustainably-raised foods.*

### **About the Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum**

*The Chicago Academy of Sciences and its Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum inspire people to learn about and care for nature and the environment. The Academy, founded in 1857, improves the quality of life in Chicago and the region by delivering superior environmental and science education programs to students and teachers, by offering Museum exhibitions and conducting public programs that foster green living, and by restoring local ecosystems and advancing scientific knowledge through its collections and research.*

*During the past 10 years, the Chicago Academy of Sciences has welcomed nearly 2 million visitors to its Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum. The Museum provides hands-on exhibitions and programs to 70,000 students annually, and trains and provides resources for more than 1,700 Chicago teachers in over 430 schools each year. The Museum engages visitors, especially urban dwellers, in new ways to connect with and preserve the natural world through a unique indoor/outdoor experience. It is one of the city's best examples of eco-friendly building technology with lush outdoor nature trails and habitat, green roof, rain barrels and solar panels.*

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