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Second annual Secret Garden Gala returns to Rogers Park benefiting local farmers market food access program <u>Saturday, May 16 from 7-10 p.m.</u>

CHICAGO (February 24, 2020)—The nonprofit **Rogers Park Business Alliance** presents its second annual **Secret Garden Gala** on <u>Saturday, May 16 from 7-10 p.m</u>. The formal event taking place on the Rooftop Terrace at Hampton Inn Chicago North at Loyola Station (1209 W. Albion, Chicago), weather permitting, will include heavy hors d'oeuvres, an open bar, a live auction, music, dancing and more. The Secret Garden Gala is a fundraiser to benefit **Glenwood Sunday Market**'s food access program, which last year provided \$26,000 in fresh food for individuals in need in the Rogers Park community.

Tickets for the Secret Garden Gala are \$75 per person for the Gala from 7-10 p.m. and \$125 including the VIP Cocktail Hour from 6-7 p.m. For tickets and more information, visit rpba.org, www.glenwoodsundaymarket.org, or call 773-508-5885.

Koval Distillery is the exclusive liquor sponsor of the Gala and will host a Tasting Table at the event. Additional sponsors and vendors will be announced later.

Glenwood Sunday Market is a farmers market celebrating its 11th anniversary this year. A program of the nonprofit Rogers Park Business Alliance, Glenwood Sunday Market serves **52,500 shoppers** annually, with a vision to create an equitable, ethical and secure local food system. Composed entirely of farmers and food artisans that work within 200 miles of Rogers Park, the market's mission is to make sustainable, regionally produced foods accessible to the whole community. The market's **Food Access Program** combats food insecurity in the Rogers Park neighborhood by providing **\$26,000** in grants and **vouchers** annually for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) shoppers. The market is committed to economic, environmental and social sustainability in Rogers Park, the city and region. For more information, visit www.glenwoodsundaymarket.org.

Rogers Park Business Alliance (RPBA) is a nonprofit organization that has served Chicago's diverse Rogers Park neighborhood for more than 25 years. RPBA works to cultivate and sustain a thriving economic environment in Rogers Park, serving businesses and residents with a variety of public events and business initiatives. RPBA programs include the GROW/PROGRESANDO entrepreneurial training program, annual Best of Rogers Park awards, Chalk Howard Street, Taste of Clark Street festival and the Glenwood Sunday Market farmers market. For more information, visit RPBA.org.