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Gardens GreenMarket and Els for Autism® Celebrate World Autism Month with Awe in Autism Showcase

Palm Beach Gardens, Fl (April 21, 2022) In celebration of World Autism Month, The Gardens GreenMarket will host eight businesses operated by and/or who employ individuals with autism on Sunday April 24 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The initiative entitled Awe in Autism, is one of many that Els for Autism®, based in Jupiter, Florida, hosts throughout the month of April to promote acceptance and inclusion of individuals with autism which affects 1 in 44 children in the United States. Attendees of the event are invited to shop for products from the eight vendors who sell items including hats, soaps, fine art, pet treats, and apparel.

Els for Autism Foundation®, headquartered on 26 acres in Jupiter, Florida recently celebrated the groundbreaking of their newest building on campus, the Stoops Family Foundation Adult Services building. The building will be a dedicated space in the community for adults with autism and their families to connect, find support, learn tools for independence, all to realize their greatest potential. The building will be home to one of the microbusinesses featured at the GreenMarket, Sea of Possibilities. The microbusiness provides experience to Els for Autism Adult Day Program participants in skill areas such as customer service, motor skills, communication skills, and design.

Els for Autism is grateful to The Gardens GreenMarket for their in-kind support of the spaces and equipment needed to support these individuals and their businesses. Gardens GreenMarket is sponsored in good health by Palm Beach Gardens Medical Center.

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Els for Autism Foundation®

The Els for Autism Foundation was established in 2009 by World of Golf Hall of Famer Ernie Els, his wife Liezl, and board chairman Marvin R. Shanken. The Els' son Ben was diagnosed with autism at the age of 5. The Foundation's overarching mission is to help people on the autism spectrum fulfil their potential to lead positive, productive and rewarding lives. Els for Autism has offices in the U.S., Canada, South Africa, and the UK. To help fulfil its mission, Els for Autism is building a state-of-the-art Center of Excellence in Jupiter, FL, with a local, national and global reach.

The Els Center of Excellence®

The Els Center of Excellence is a world-class facility hosting leading-edge programs and services for people on the autism spectrum and their families. The campus contains thoughtfully planned spaces designed to meet the specific needs of individuals with autism—from a possible early diagnosis, to their school-aged years, and throughout adulthood. The Center hosts two, non-profit, tuition-free Palm Beach County charter schools that serve students with autism using evidence-based practices. The Rupert Education Wing hosts The Learning Center at The Els Center of Excellence, serving students with autism ages 3-14 (thelearningcenter.org) and the Shanken Education Wing hosts The Learning Academy at The Els Center of Excellence, serving students with autism ages 14-21 (tlacad.org).

