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CELEBRITY[®] GOAT CHEESE & LENBERG FARMS_"WIN AWARDS AT THE AMERICAN CHEESE SOCIETY CONFERENCE

Toronto, ON – Finica and its suppliers Mariposa Dairy and Quality Cheese won multiple awards at the 36th annual American Cheese Society competition, held in Richmond, Virginia from July 31 until August 3, 2019.

The American Cheese Society (ACS) is the leader in promoting and supporting American cheeses, providing the cheese community with educational resources and networking opportunities, while encouraging the highest standards of cheesemaking. This year's Judging & Competition, the largest competition of its kind for Americanmade cheeses, saw 1,742 entries.

Celebrity-Goat Cheese Light won 1st place for the Low Fat/ Low Salt Cheeses category. *Celebrity® Goat Cheese* Original won 2nd place among fresh rind-less goat's milk cheeses, its third award in the last several years. Celebrity® *Goat Salted Butter* won *3rd place* in the goat's milk butter category.

From Lenberg FarmsTM, Tania won 2nd place for sheep's milk cheeses aged over 60 days. Tania is a Tuscan-style sheep's milk cheese from *Lenberg Farms*TM, made with 100% Ontario sheep's milk. Aged for six months, the cheese develops a semi-firm, smooth texture and a mellow flavour with earthy undertones.

Finica is an exclusive partner of Mariposa Dairy, a premium cheese company in southern Ontario, Canada. In 2009, Finica, along with Mariposa Dairy launched Lenberg Farmst, their artisanal brand featuring cheeses that require aging – goat and sheep's milk cheese.

