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Royal Park Hotel Announces New Director of Culinary Operations

(February 26, 2020) – Rochester based Royal Park Hotel is excited to announce the addition of Paul Jackman as their Director of Culinary Operations.

Growing up on the east side of Detroit, Paul began cooking with his grandmother at the early age of 9. “The first lesson I received from my grandmother was simple. I was given a knife and a rutabaga and was told to cut it. At that point, I knew that cooking would always be a part of my life” said Jackman.

At the age of 15, he took on his first job as a dishwasher and worked his way up in the industry training under the first certified female Executive Chef in the United States, Carol Haskins CEC. Paul has since spent the past 25 years perfecting his Executive Chef skills in more than seven different culinary styles of cooking, as well as offering his expertise on many occasions to Food Network. “My cooking philosophy is to always use the freshest ingredients that are not manipulated, in order to experience the products true flavors” said Jackman. He earned his “15 minutes of fame” on a featured episode of “Food Paradise” on The Travel Channel which aired in November, 2017.

PARK 600’s Executive Chef, Boris Jovanoski was asked what he was most excited to see for the future with Chef Paul on the team. “I am most looking forward to the knowledge and experience that Paul brings with him. Together, we look forward to sharpening the team in terms of both knowledge and skill in order to provide our guests with an unforgettable dining experience” says Jovanoski.

As for the future culinary vision of Royal Park Hotel and PARK 600, Jackman says “We are looking to continue our focus on locally crafted, which means sourcing our cheese, meats, fish and produce locally. It is important to support our community and to be able to give back to Michigan farmers. We have a great culinary team here, and I look forward to making each guest experience a memorable one” says Jackman. Chef Paul will make his community culinary debut at the sold out March 12th Lifestyle Series “Eat Like an Aussie”.

The Royal Park Hotel, a luxury boutique property, is located 30 miles north of Detroit in Rochester, Michigan. Its 1,200 person-capacity Royal Grand Ballroom setting complements the hotel’s English Manor-inspired interior, with 15-foot ceilings, Italian marble flooring and Murano glass chandeliers. For more information, visit www.royalparkhotel.net.