Lifeway Foods Announces New Lineup: Whole Milk Kefir with Real Fruit Launches new premium flavors made with fruit purée

Morton Grove, IL — January 23, 2019 — Lifeway Foods, Inc., (Nasdaq: LWAY), the leading U.S. supplier of kefir cultured dairy and probiotic products announced the release of a new product line, <u>whole milk kefir with real fruit</u>. Each 32-oz bottle is blended with full-fat milk and real fruit purée. The real fruit line is now available in three flavors: strawberry, raspberry and blueberry.

Each 8 ounce serving of kefir provides 11 grams of protein, 30% of your daily recommended intake of calcium, and 12 live and active probiotic cultures. Research has suggested that regular intake of probiotics is linked to several health benefits related to <u>digestion</u>, <u>immunity</u> and <u>mental stress</u>. The growth of consumer demand for probiotic-rich foods allows for Lifeway to continue to provide a variety of whole food options for those who want to incorporate healthy, microbiome-supporting nutrition into their lifestyle. Additionally, recent data from SPINS shows that full fat drinkable yogurt and kefir is up over 8% year-over-year from 2017 to 2018.

"On a personal level, I was inspired by summer trips to local berry farms with my girls to gather a bounty for our yearly canning ritual," said Lifeway Foods CEO Julie Smolyansky. "Time is a luxury that you can't buy, but this premium product made with rich whole milk and tart berries is a way to enjoy a wholesome, healthy kefir smoothie with your family without spending half the weekend in the kitchen. I didn't personally pick the best berries, ferment the kefir with fresh milk from my cow, blend to the perfect proportions in my own kitchen and bottle it up for your enjoyment, but it's a pretty close match."

Lifeway's new whole milk kefir with real fruit is shipping now and expected to be available throughout the United States by end of the first quarter.

About Lifeway Foods, Inc.

Lifeway Foods, Inc., which has been recognized as one of Forbes' Best Small Companies, is America's leading supplier of the probiotic, fermented beverage known as kefir. In addition to its line of drinkable kefir, the company also produces cupped kefir and cheese, frozen kefir, specialty cheeses, probiotic supplements and a ProBugs line for kids. Lifeway's tart and tangy fermented dairy and non-dairy products are now sold across North America, Ireland and the United Kingdom. Learn how Lifeway is good for more than just you at <u>www.lifewaykefir.com</u>.

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