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Targa Florio Classica 2020 ***Great passion on the small Madonie Circuit***

Palermo, 17 October 2020 - "*The roads of the Targa are always beautiful*" says **Mario Passanante**, with **Enrico Di Mauro** under the flag of the **MAFRA** team, upon arrival in **Collesano**, near the historic **Vaccarella** turn, before continuing his route to **Campofelice di Roccella** for the mid-day break.

The level of competition is very high even today: his **1937 FIAT 508C** had already won last year – navigated by **Himara Bottini** who this year is driving the **1966 Porsche 911T** with **Carlo Di Giusto**, the crew of **Ruote Classiche** racing for **Tag Heuer** - after a tough battle with the one of **Giovanni Mocerì** and **Valeria Dicembre**, from **1939**.

This year the duel was repeated again, in a close head-to-head which also included a third **FIAT 508C**, a model clearly loved by the champions of historical regularity, from **1938**, driven by **Angelo Accardo** and **Filippo Becchina**. The performance of the **1947 Volvo PV444** of **Antonino Margiotta** and **Vincenzo Bertieri** was also excellent, great precision also for this crew in the "climb" of the Madonie, then maintained during the afternoon even if unfortunately slowed down by a technical problem. In the second part of the day the tests in **Sciara, Caccamo** and **Termini Imerese** before returning to the **Museo dei Motori e dei Meccanismi del Sistema Museale di Palermo** which hosts the race direction.

226 kilometers traveled today, bringing the total to over **530** over the two days of competition. A very tough test on a path as though as fascinating, faced with great constancy by the numerous pre-war cars, which have once again proved their validity, thanks to the passion and care that moves the owners, in accordance with the values that have always been shared and promulgated by **ACI Storico**.

"The Sicilian roads are a bit burdensome for this kind of cars, you need to be careful and not overwork them, but with passion you can solve all the problems" explains **Maurizio De Marco**, second driver of **Olindo Deserti**, with the **1929 Lancia Lambda VIII Series**, the oldest car in the race: a rare collector's jewel that has made Sicilian



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roads its museum. First participation for them in this competition *"We are very happy to be there, we came to win, but then we thought about it: the Sicilians are too strong, we can consider them the university professors of regularity"*.

Not only historical and youngtimers on the **Madonie** today, with the **Targa Florio Classica 2020**, the **Targa Florio Legend** and the **Targa Florio Gran Turismo** also the reds of Maranello of the **Ferrari Tribute to Targa Florio**. A 360-degree show, the one offered by **AC Palermo** and **ACI** with the support of **ACI Sport** and **ACI Storico**, which starts from the dawn of motoring to arrive at modern engineering masterpieces. The **Ferrari** show in the Madonie staged reds from **1999 to 2019**, from the **Ferrari 360 Modena** of **Angelo Pizzuto** and **Susanna Serri**, to the **812 GTS** of **Alessandro Barreca** and **Tommaso Lo Cascio Macchiarella** and the **Germans Benedikt Lex** and **Kevin Braun**, to which are added the two in the Legend classification, the **1980 Ferrari 308 GTS** of **Vincenzo Ferrari** and **Riccardo Catania** and the **1988 GTS Turbo** of **Aldo Castello** and **Maria Teresa Pascal**.

A truly out of the ordinary event, made possible also by the precious participation of the sponsors **ACI Global Servizi**, **Sara Assicurazioni**, **MAFRA**, the institutional and logistic partner **Museo dei Motori e dei Meccanismi del Sistema Museale dell'Università di Palermo**, the technical partners **Acqua Fuggi**, **Chin8 Neri** and **Duca di Salaparuta** and the essential work of the **official timekeeper Tag Heuer**.

Tomorrow the official winner will be awarded after the third stage, the celebration of the **Favorita Circuit**.

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