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*Announcement from the Chair of The Canadian Federation of Independent Grocers (CFIG) -  
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**Tom Shurrie, President & CEO, The Canadian Federation of Independent Grocers  
(CFIG) Announces Retirement**

Toronto, ON, April 15, 2024 —As some of you may know, Tom has been planning his retirement from The Canadian Federation of Independent Grocers (CFIG) and our industry for well over a year and the date was set for the end of March 2024.



However, after much discussion and further consultation earlier this year, the CFIG Board has asked Tom to stay on to the end of 2024, and he has agreed.

The only hitch was that Deb and Tom had planned a major retirement trip for the month of April 2024. The CFIG Board agreed that their trip should still take priority since the trip had been planned for so long; therefore, they will be unable to attend GSF West 2024 in person this year, but Tom will be there virtually at several events during what is now called their PRE-retirement trip.

Over the years Tom has led a wonderful team at CFIG. All CFIG team members will be in attendance in-person to take care of everyone's needs at the trade show, Monday night dinner and two days of conferences.

Once the CFIG board has determined Tom's replacement as the President & CEO later this year, Tom has agreed to move from his current role to become an advisor to the new President & CEO and CFIG board until the end of 2024 so that a smooth transition of the CFIG leadership can occur.

On behalf of the CFIG board and all our members (Retail, Affiliate and Associate) I would like to Thank Tom for all his years of leadership, professionalism, and dedication to advance the cause of Independent Grocers and our Grocery Industry throughout his unique career as a retailer, supplier, industry leader and President & CEO of CFIG.