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Tim Berman Receives Life Member Designation from CFIG

TORONTO—September 5, 2024. . . Jamie Nelson, Chair of Canadian Federation of Independent Grocers (CFIG), Ron Welke, President and CEO, and the CFIG Board of Directors are pleased to announce **Tim Berman**, as the **2024 recipient of CFIG’s prestigious Life Member Award** in the **Industry Builder** category.

Tim Berman retired in 2015 after working for close to 37 years at Kraft Heinz. He began his career at the company in 1979 as a sales representative and held progressively senior roles through the years. In 2005, he was named vice president of sales, and in 2015, became acting president. He served on the associate member council of the Canadian Federation of Independent Grocers (CFIG), the advisory board of AC Nielsen and the advisory board of Grocery Business. He was also a member of Food, Health and Consumer Products of Canada (FHCP). This year, he was inducted into the Grocery Business Hall of Fame.

CFIG’s Life Member designation honours those individuals who have made a significant contribution to the food industry. Their experience, accomplishments and commitment are at the foundation of today’s grocery retailing business.

Tim will be officially recognized at the Canadian Independent Grocer of the Year awards gala held on Wednesday, October 30 at **Grocery Innovations Canada 2024 (GIC)**. GIC is Canada’s premier grocery exposition and conference that takes place at the **Toronto Congress Centre, October 29-30, 2024**. www.GroceryInnovations.com

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