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Grocers Recognize Farrington as Hall of Fame Inductee

St. Paul, MN – August 2, 2019 – Gordy Farrington, retired President of Cub Foods, was inducted into the Minnesota Grocers Association’s (MGA) Hall of Fame in recognition of his outstanding service and exemplary contributions to Minnesota’s food industry. The award was presented by MGA Board Chair, Kris Kowalski Christiansen and MGA President, Jamie Pfuhl at the association’s Annual Conference on July 28, 2019 which was attended by more than 350 members of the Minnesota food industry.

Farrington got his start in the grocery business when he was a teenager at Applebaum’s in North Saint Paul. He worked at the store while finishing high school and, by 18, was the produce manager. He was Applebaum’s youngest store manager at 23 and its youngest district manager at 26. Farrington joined the SUPERVALU team in 1983. Throughout his career, he took on various leadership roles that took him across the country, but returned to Minnesota where he became President of Cub Foods. After 22 years with SuperValu Companies, Farrington retired in 2006.

Farrington was active in the Minnesota Grocers Association throughout his career. In 1998, he was named Chairman and in 2002 he received the MGA Outstanding Grocer of the Year award.

Farrington and his wife Phyllis have four children and 13 grandchildren. In retirement, they enjoy traveling and spending time with family.

Farrington’s dedication has earned him the respect and admiration of his peers. His outstanding commitment, vision, and leadership have made a lasting impression on the food industry; this induction to the MGA Hall of Fame is a well-deserved acknowledgement of his outstanding career.

The Minnesota Grocers Association (MGA) is the only state trade association that represents the food industry of Minnesota from farm to fork. We are one of the oldest trade associations in the state, celebrating over 120 years of advancing industry. We have over 300 retail, manufacture, and wholesale members supporting nearly 1,300 locations statewide. Our member companies employ over 150,000 union and non-union Minnesotans. We actively advance the common interest of all those engaged in any aspect of the retail food industry as a leader and advocate in government affairs.

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