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SENATOR KAPENGA TO RECEIVE "FRIEND OF GROCERS" AWARD

Madison, Wisconsin (*September 27, 2018*) – Senator Chris Kapenga (R-Delafield) will receive the "Friend of Grocers" Award from the Wisconsin Grocers Association on October 2, 2018 at 9:30 a.m. at Fox Run Sentry, 2304 W. St. Paul Avenue in Waukesha.

The "Friend of Grocers" Award is given to legislators who score an "A" on the WGA's Legislative Report Card – an extensive study of all legislators' performance in the 2017-2018 Legislative Session. Lawmakers are graded according to their actions on certain issues that are especially important to the grocery industry, including: unemployment insurance reforms; personal property tax relief; and several labor issues.

This is the fourth Friend of Grocers Award Senator Kapenga has received. "Senator Kapenga has received a Friend of Grocers Award for every term he has served in the Legislature—both during his time in the Assembly and his latest term in the Senate," said Brandon Scholz, WGA President & CEO. "That is testament to Senator Kapenga's unwavering support of small businesses and the retail food industry."

In addition to receiving the Friend of Grocers Award, Senator Kapenga receives the endorsement of the Wisconsin Grocers Association toward his re-election efforts.

The award will be presented to Sen. Kapenga by Brandon Scholz and Bob Fleming, owner of Fox Run Sentry. Members of the media are invited and encouraged to attend.

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The Wisconsin Grocers Association is the only statewide trade group representing retail, wholesale, suppliers and vendors in the grocery industry. According to the Food Marketing Institute's 2017 Economic Impact Statements Wisconsin's grocery industry employs more than 150,000 people and has a total economic impact of more than \$15.6 billion.