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### **REP. TAUCHEN TO RECEIVE “FRIEND OF GROCERS” AWARD**

Madison, Wisconsin (*October 11, 2018*) – Representative Gary Tauchen (R-Bonduel) will receive the “Friend of Grocers” Award from the Wisconsin Grocers Association on October 18, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at Tadych’s Econofoods, 278 S. Main St. in Clintonville.

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 second Friend of Grocers Award Representative Tauchen has received. “Rep. Tauchen is a consistent and strong voice for grocers and other small businesses in his district and across the State,” said WGA’s Executive VP, Michelle Kussow.

In addition to receiving the Friend of Grocers Award, these legislators receive the endorsement of the Wisconsin Grocers Association toward their re-election efforts.

The award will be presented to Rep. Tauchen by Michelle Kussow and Mike Tadych, President of Tadych’s Econofoods. 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.**