United Fresh Appoints McDonald’s Supply Chain Leader to Board of Directors

WASHINGTON, D.C. (September 20, 2018) – United Fresh Chairwoman Cindy Jewell, California Giant Berry Farms, has appointed Sarah Grady to fill an open seat on the United Fresh Board of Directors. Grady is the U.S. Strategic Supply Chain Manager at McDonald’s Corporation for Produce, Fruit, Potato & Beverage categories. She is focused on strengthening strategic partnerships with McDonald’s produce and fruit suppliers along with other companies throughout the industry to address and find solutions to the important issues affecting the produce and fruit supply chains.

Grady replaces Shannon Mikulskis of Chick-fil-A on the Board, who resigned due to a change in her time availability to participate in meetings. “The Chick-fil-A team and I continue to strongly support the work of United Fresh, but sadly, my travel schedule does not permit me to continue my Board service at this time,” she said.

Grady is a current member of the Retail-Foodservice Board at United Fresh, and will take on the Vice Chairmanship of that Board. She has a bachelor’s degree in economics from Knox College and an MBA from Kellstadt School of Business at DePaul University. Sarah is also a board member of the Illinois Medical District Guesthouse Foundation.

“We appreciate Shannon’s service on the United Board, and congratulate Sarah on her new appointment to the Board,” said United Fresh Chair Cindy Jewell. “McDonald’s has been a long-time supporter of United, and we appreciate the company’s commitment to providing great-tasting, high-quality fresh produce to consumers at their restaurants across the world.”

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About United Fresh Produce Association

Founded in 1904, the United Fresh Produce Association brings together companies across every segment of the fresh produce supply chain, including growers, shippers, fresh cut processors, wholesalers, distributors, retailers, foodservice operators, industry suppliers and allied associations. We empower industry leaders to shape sound government policy. We deliver the resources and expertise companies need to succeed in managing complex business and technical issues. We provide the training and development individuals need to advance their careers in produce. Through these endeavors, we unite our industry with a common purpose – to build long-term value for our members and grow produce consumption.