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NCSA SEEKS CANDY HALL OF FAME NOMINATIONS

Cleveland, OH — A call for nominations for the Candy Hall of Fame has been issued by the National Confectionery Sales Association (NCSA).

The Candy Hall of Fame recognizes the exceptional accomplishments of up to 12 individuals each year. Past inductees include manufacturers, brokers, distributors, direct salespeople, retail confectioners, suppliers and production personnel.

“Induction into the Candy Hall of Fame reflects a career of giving back to the industry,” says NCSA Executive Director Teresa Tarantino. “We encourage everyone in the industry to nominate individuals who they believe are worthy of such an honor.”

Nominees must be at least 50 years old, have 20 years of experience in confectionery, have demonstrated active participation in the industry beyond their business and be NCSA members. If retired or deceased, the person must be nominated within two years of either event. Selected nominees must attend the Candy Hall of Fame Inductions, which will take place October 22 to 24, 2010, in Tampa, FL. The NCSA Board of Directors will evaluate the nominations.

For details and nomination forms, visit candyhalloffame.org. The deadline for submissions is November 30, 2009.

The 2009 Candy Hall of Fame inductees were: Ross Born, Just Born, Inc.; Jack Bielat, BJ's Wholesale Club, Inc.; Dave Fleischer, Cadbury North America; Dave Klabunde, Annabelle Candy Co.; Larry Hassler, Pearson Candy Co.; Buz Heinz, Bell Flavors and Fragrances Europe; George Kaye, Supreme Chocolatier; John Leipold, Goetze's Candy Co., Inc.; Getulio Ursulino Netto, ABICAB; Dan Phillips, George J. Howe Co.; Terry Richardson, Richardson Researches, Inc.; and Tom Scheiman, B.A. Sweetie Candy Co. Industry pioneers Harry Burnett “H.B.” Reese and Russell Stover were also inducted for their accomplishments.

Honorees will be enshrined into the Candy Hall of Fame alongside such category leaders as Milton Hershey, Andrew Heide, Jack Shaffer, William Wrigley, Jr., Sal and Nello Ferrara, Spaulding Goetze, Elaine Gonzales, and Jim Gagliarducci.

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The National Confectionery Sales Association, formed in 1899, is dedicated to furthering positive growth and acceptance of confectionery products, and recognizing the achievements of category leaders from all sectors of the international industry. The Candy Hall of Fame was founded in 1971, and recognizes lifetime career achievements in the confectionery industry, with induction based on dedication to the overall betterment of the industry.