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**D'ARRIGO NEW YORK FRESH FRUIT AND PRODUCE COMPANY TO BE
AWARDED THE UNITED STATES PRESIDENTIAL SERVICE CENTER®
DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL IN WASHINGTON, DC, FOR
PHILANTHROPY SPANNING 40 YEARS**

Washington, D.C. – The D'Arrigo family of New York is being celebrated with the receipt of the Distinguished Service Medal from the U.S. Presidential Service Center in Washington, DC. On September 21, during the United Fresh Annual Conference, the gold medallion will be awarded. With 5,312,825 lbs of food donated, it has been expressly noted that they work with the Wounded Warrior Project, PAWS OF WAR, and a dozen other non-profits.

"Our immigrant family came to this country and picked fruit and vegetables in the fields of New Jersey. We pushed carts selling in New York and Philadelphia. We later staffed our factories with machines and trucks while supplying numerous heroes for America's wars. I served 21 years in the military and retired, and no one in my family ever thought we would produce a White House chef. But immigrants can become American heroes. As a disabled and injured veteran, I salute D'Arrigo," stated CEO of the Presidential Center, Martin CJ Mongiello.

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