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Mrs. Margaret Hayes Adame '61

Margaret Hayes is president and CEO of Fashion Group International, where she directs and implements strategic goals for 6,000 members in 28 chapters internationally. FGI produces runway trend presentations, seminars, business symposiums, and special events as an information resource for the fashion industry, including apparel, accessories, beauty, and interior and home design. As an international trade organization, FGI is represented in nine countries. Executive membership is by invitation only.

Hayes is a seasoned, senior-level merchandising executive, who has more than twenty-eight years of experience in the forefront of retailing at major large-volume department and specialty fashion department stores. Prior to joining FGI, she was senior vice president, GMM of merchandising at Saks Fifth Avenue for seventeen years, responsible for directing and implementing sales and profit growth for seven divisions and delivering the largest profit base to the company.

In addition, Hayes serves on multiple corporate, not-for-profit, educational, and medical boards, including the Movado Group, the LIM College Fashion



Education Foundation, the Montefiore Medical Center, and Theodore Rapp Foundation. She was on the board of International Flavors and Fragrances from 1993 to 2012.

Hayes is the recipient of numerous humanitarian and business leadership awards, including from the Fragrance Foundation, American Cancer Society, American Jewish Committee, City of Hope, and Children's Hospital at Montefiore. In 2000 she was awarded the prestigious Médaille de la Ville de Paris.