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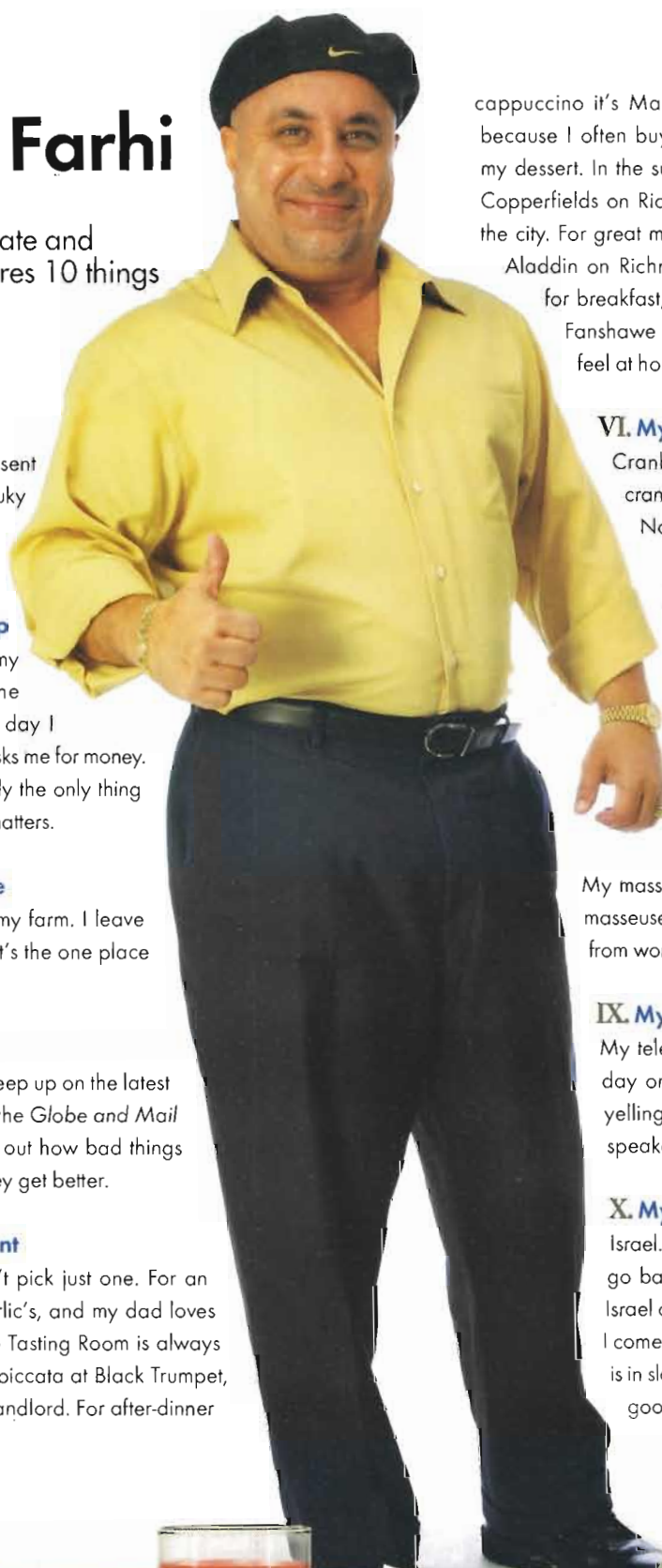
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10 THINGS

Shmuel Farhi

The real estate magnate and man-about-town shares 10 things he can't live without



I. My favourite piece of clothing

My Nike cap. It was a present from my right-hand man, Muky Pundaky. Whenever it's on my head I think, just do it.

II. What I'll never give up

Having a dog. Leila is my office stress manager. She doesn't care what kind of day I am having and she never asks me for money. And my kids. Family is really the only thing we have in this world that matters.

III. Where I go to escape

The middle of the lake at my farm. I leave my phone on the dock so it's the one place no one can reach me.

IV. My daily read

The *London Free Press* to keep up on the latest "news" from city hall, and the *Globe and Mail Report on Business* to find out how bad things are going to get before they get better.

V. My favourite restaurant

I love to eat out, so I can't pick just one. For an interesting menu I like Garlic's, and my dad loves their fish. The pasta at The Tasting Room is always good, and I love the veal piccata at Black Trumpet, even though I'm not their landlord. For after-dinner

cappuccino it's Maggie's, but that can get expensive because I often buy a painting from their gallery with my dessert. In the summer, I love to eat on the patio at Copperfields on Richmond because it's like an oasis in the city. For great middle-eastern food, Barakat and the Aladdin on Richmond are always a good bet. And for breakfast, I love Richie's Family Restaurant at Fanshawe and Richmond. They make everyone feel at home and serve a great Greek omelet.

VI. My favourite beverage

Cranberry and soda. Eighty per cent cranberry juice and twenty per cent soda. No ice. Good for you, too!

VII. My favourite retail store

Winners. Why pay full price? And for a decent suit, Andrew Douglas Tailor. He has exquisite taste when I need something for a special occasion.

VIII. My favourite piece of furniture

My massage chair. It's like having a personal masseuse waiting every night when I get home from work. The best investment I ever made.

IX. My favourite piece of technology

My telephone. I seem to spend most of my day on the phone. Some people think I'm yelling when I've really only put them on speaker phone to give my neck a rest.

X. My favourite travel destination

Israel. It's where I grew up and it's good to go back and get some perspective on life. Israel operates at a different pace and when I come back to London it feels like everything is in slow motion. It helps me appreciate how good we have it here in Canada. *לכל*

