HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

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Ken Donohue, from St. Joseph's Parish in Long Island City, entered Power Memorial Academy in September, 1960. After graduating from Power, he attended and received a Baccalaureate Degree from St. Thomas University in Miami, Florida. After college, Ken embarked on a distinguished 21 year career with the U.S. Secret Service as a Supervisory Special Agent. Assigned to several Field Offices over the years, including Cleveland, Miami, New York City and Washington DC, his diverse career included major investigations, assignments in dignitary protection and two tours with the Protective Intelligence Division, culminating with an assignment to the Assistant Director's CIA Counter Terrorism Center. He retired from the Secret Service in 1990.

Upon his retirement, Ken was appointed Assistant Director to the FDIC/RTC Office of Investigations, which oversees investigations of bank fraud and abuse by officers and directors of failed Savings and Loan Institutions. This position often brought Ken into close working relationships with other regulatory agency senior representatives, as well as senior law enforcement personnel, from the Treasury and Justice Departments. He left in 1997 to begin work as a CIA Contractor in Langley, Virginia, leaving that post in 2001, when he was appointed Inspector General of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) by President George W. Bush.

His role as HUD's Inspector General focused on compliance issues, identification of fraud, waste, abuse and mismanagement and implementation of internal prevention and protection controls. Ken was a pivotal player in the Federal Government's effort to investigate fraud in the mortgage industry and he was one of three chairs, along with the Attorney General and the FBI Director, to lead a federal task force to investigate and prosecute individual and corporate fraud. Ken left HUD in 2010 and is currently a senior advisor with CohnReznick Advisory-Government Services.

Ken has been married 46 years to Kathleen R. Donohue, who works for the U.S. State Department in Washington, DC. Proving the adage, "The Apple Doesn't Fall Far From The Tree", their four sons, Ken Jr., Tim, Sean and Brian, all have varying experiences of military, government or law enforcement service to the country, in addition to giving their parents seven grandchildren. In conclusion, Ken wanted to express his gratitude to Kathleen over these many years and to God, for all the gifts in his life.