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Wolfe Named ‘Person Of The Year’ By RCC Foundation Organization’s Leaders Cite Dedication, Years Of Service

New City, NY (Aug. 12, 2015) – Rockland County Legislature Chairman Alden Wolfe has been named “Person of the Year” by the Rockland Community College Foundation, the college’s important philanthropic arm.

“I’m thrilled and honored to receive this award,” Wolfe said. “Rockland Community College plays a significant role in the lives of our residents – from those who work to get their degree to those who just want to participate in enrichment classes. I am truly appreciative of the opportunity to assist the College in its mission to provide the services that meet the various needs of our community.”

Wolfe was honored during a presentation Tuesday at RCC, and foundation leaders said there was good reason to single him out.

“He has provided years of service to the Foundation,” RCC Foundation Chairman Mitchell Gusler said. “He’s been a good friend to the foundation and the college. He’s just an all-around strong supporter.”



RCC Foundation Chairman Mitchell Gusler presents Rockland County Legislature Chairman Alden H. Wolfe with “Person of the Year” Award

Wolfe has been active with the Foundation since 2000, serving as chairman in 2005 and 2006, vice chairman in 2003 and 2004, and treasurer in 2001 and 2002, as well as being a member of the finance committee.

The Foundation’s Executive Director, Don Cairns, said such support was not looked at lightly and he noted that 54 percent of all people attending college in the U.S. were now enrolled in a community college.

“Alden Wolfe really steps up in all ways,” Cairns said. “He’s really concerned, really passionate about Rockland Community College and in seeing students achieve at all levels.”

Cairns said he asked RCC Foundation board members to submit two names for consideration for this year’s award, but the only name that came back was Wolfe’s.

The RCC Foundation provides funds to purchase equipment, enhance the campus and facilities and establish financial resources for students who attend the college that is often referred to as “The Gem of Rockland County.”

The organization awards more than 150 annual scholarships to students, providing more than \$350,000 in yearly assistance. Since its creation more than 30 years ago, it has provided \$3 million in scholarship awards.