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## **Building Dedicated For Late Water District Commissioner**

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he accomplishments of one of New York's leading experts on water supply, conservation and sustainability were further memorialized by a host of dignitaries with the official dedication of the Nicholas J. Bartilucci Administration Building Operations Complex, located at 125 Convent Rd. in Syosset, by the Jericho Water District (JWD).

The late Bartilucci, a Jericho Water District commissioner for more than 45 years, was a founding member and past president of the Nassau-Suffolk Water Commissioners' Association. He was a recognized industry spokesperson whose expertise and leadership were relied upon by water providers, consumers and governments alike.

Commissioner Thomas A. Abbate, chairman of the board of the Jericho Water District, hosted the ceremony and JWD Superintendent Peter Logan



From left: James Asmus, Vicki Walsh, Richard LaMarca, Patricia Beckerle, Thomas Abbate, Joseph Saladino, Joan Bartilucci, Peter Logan and Joshua Lafazan. (Photo by Wes Steinberg)

spoke on behalf of the district and commissioners James Asmus and Patricia Beckerle.

Reverend Michael T. Maffeo, pastor of St. Edward the Confessor Church gave a blessing as a new sign was unveiled during the emotional event. Town of Oyster Bay Supervisor Joseph Saladino spoke and presented a proclamation to Joan Bartilucci, which cited her and her husband's contributions to the Long Island community and beyond.

Nassau County Legislator Joshua Lafazan (D—Woodbury) presented a citation from the Nassau County Legislature to Joan Bartilucci in memory of Nicholas J. Bartilucci noting "service to the community, neighbors and families, and in recognition of your leadership to enriching the lives of others."

Former New York State Senator Carl Marcellino, Oyster Bay Councilwoman Vicki Walsh and Oyster Bay Town Clerk Richard LaMarca also spoke, each acknowledging Bartilucci's many contributions during his long and storied career.

Steven Fangmann, president of D&B Engineers and Architects, P.C., the Woodbury-based engineering firm founded by Bartilucci, presented a beautiful etched glass trophy award in the shape of a water droplet to mark the event.