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2025 FOUR PILLAR TRIBUTE

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TOMMY HOLDER

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OCTOBER 16, 2025 | 6:00 PM **GEORGIA BALLROOM GEORGIA WORLD CONGRESS CENTER**





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We are proud to congratulate Tommy Holder on his recognition as a Four Pillar honoree for his outstanding achievements.

TOMMY HOLDER



Tommy Holder's journey is deeply aligned with the City of Atlanta, where his story began. In 1976, as a student at Georgia Tech, Tommy joined Holder Construction, the company founded by his father, Robert Holder. Starting as an intern, he steadily rose through the ranks, becoming President and CEO in 1989. Under his leadership, Holder Construction became one of the nation's premier contractors, with annual revenues growing from \$250



million in 1989 to over \$8 billion today, building projects for Apple, Google, Meta, Delta Air Lines, Cox Enterprises, and many other iconic companies. Now as Chairman, Tommy continues to help steer the company's strategic vision and uphold its core values.

Beyond his professional achievements, Tommy is deeply committed to giving back to the community that has supported Holder's success. He currently chairs the Georgia Tech Foundation, serves on the boards of the Georgia Power Company and the

Metro Atlanta Chamber of Commerce, and is a member of the Buckhead Coalition. His leadership roles include chairing the boards of Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, the Georgia Historical Society, and the Southern Seven Chapter of YPO. Additionally, he has served as President of the Atlanta Rotary and Senior Warden of St. Philip's Cathedral.

Married for over 40 years, Tommy and his wife, Beth, share a lifelong dedication to enriching Atlanta's civic and educational landscape. Beth served as former Board Chair of Agnes Scott College. Together, they raised two daughters, Kelsey and Lindsey, who live in Atlanta with their families, continuing the Holder legacy of strong community ties and civic engagement.





CREATING A WORLD WORTH TRAVELING.

Proud to support the Council for Quality Growth's 2025 Four Pillar Tribute. Congratulations Tommy Holder.



Honoring Visionary Leadership

Georgia Power proudly joins the Council for Quality Growth in honoring Tommy Holder, whose steadfast commitment to innovation and excellence strengthens Atlanta's communities and illuminates our skyline.

Congratulations to Tommy for this well-deserved recognition of his visionary leadership and dedication to building a vibrant future for generations to come.



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Thank you, Tommy

It is our pleasure to celebrate you and your commitment to making a positive impact throughout our community.



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Georgia World Congress Center Authority proudly joins in celebrating

Tommy Holder

for his remarkable contributions and enduring legacy.

Your visionary leadership continues to inspire and shape our community.

Here's to many more years of success!





Cheers to TOMMY HOLDER!

Congratulations on being the 2025 Four Pillar Award Recipient. We salute you today and every day for your outstanding leadership in our community.







PROMOTING balanced AND responsible GROWTH SINCE 1985

The Council for Quality Growth, a not-for-profit trade association, is the only organization that works every day to ensure the metro Atlanta region's regulatory environment supports quality growth and development. As the only advocacy organization that operates broadly across the growth and development industry, the Council for Quality Growth brings together and advocates for those who work at the intersection of public policy and private investment, including developers, contractors, engineers, architects, planners, law firms, Community Improvement Districts (CIDs), and financial institutions. The Council is often engaged by the public sector to advise on regulations that protect communities while continuing to encourage economic development.

THANK YOU TO OUR 2025 PREMIER MEMBERS







































































































































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About the Four Pillar Award

The Four Pillar Award is a prestigious leadership award given to an outstanding individual who has served his or her community, region, and state. Originally presented as the Button Gwinnett Award and Tribute from 1990 until 2004, the Four Pillar Tribute has come to be an unparalleled honor as the Council for Quality Growth has expanded its reach to regional and state-wide members and initiatives. This is the 36th year that the Council for Quality Growth, a not-for-profit trade association with the mission of promoting balanced and responsible growth, has paid tribute to such leaders. The Four Pillar Tribute is a unique honor that celebrates the recipient's philanthropic efforts as well as his or her significant contributions to economic development and the region's quality of life. The "Pillars" represent "Quality," "Responsibility," "Vision," and "Integrity," the principles on which the Council was founded.

Honorees Over the Tribute History

2014 Steve Selig

1990	Steve Reynolds		
1991	Wayne Shackelford		
1992	J.W. Benefield		
1993	D. Scott Hudgens		
1994	Wayne H. Mason		
1995	Virgil R. Williams		
1996	Paul A. Duke		
1997	Jim Cowart		
1998	J.D. Caswell		
1999	A. Ray Weeks, Jr.		
2000	Louise Radloff		
2001	F. Wayne Hill		
	Governor George Busbee		

	2003	Richard L. Tucker	2015	Dan T. Cathy
ł	2004	Charlie Brown	2016	Jenny Pruitt
2005		U.S. Senator	2017	Governor Nathan Deal
		Johnny Isakson	2018	Paul Bowers
	2006	John Wieland	2019	Larry Gellerstedt III
	2007	John A. Williams	2020	Doug Hertz
	2008	Tom Cousins		021 Ambassador Andrew J. Young
	2009	Mayor Shirley	2021	
		Franklin	2022	Carol B. Tomé
	2010	Arthur M. Blank	2023	Ed Bastian
	2011	111 R. Charles Loudermilk, Sr.		The Legacy of Herman J. Russell Sr. & The Russell Family
	2012	012 Mayor Sam Massell		
	2013	John C. Portman		





Tonight's Theme

OPPORTUNITY | EMPOWERMENT | INTEGRITY

For Tommy, "Opportunity | Empowerment | Integrity" distills the principles that have quietly shaped his career and civic life. Opportunity recalls the chance he received as a Georgia Tech intern and the thousands of new paths he has helped create—within his company and across Atlanta's schools, hospitals, and non-profits. Empowerment captures his conviction that organizations thrive when people are trusted to grow, whether they are engineers on a job site or volunteers on a board. Integrity anchors every decision, guiding him to earn confidence from clients, colleagues, and community partners alike. Together, these words describe Tommy's very intentional approach to leadership—one that seeks to build success by opening doors, equipping others to lead, and upholding the highest ethical standards.



Tribute Speakers



QUALITY BETH LOWRY

President & CEO, Holder Construction

Beth began her career with Holder Construction as an intern in 1994 while attending the University of Florida. She's held many roles with the firm over her 31-year career in commercial construction. She was named president in 2022 and CEO in 2024, succeeding Tommy. She's passionate about workforce development and ensuring economic mobility, and she's been an advocate for advancing women in construction. She's active across many community organizations here in Atlanta, serving on the Boards of the Metro Atlanta Chamber, Atlanta Police Foundation, and more.



RESPONSIBILITY

DONNA HYLAND

CEO, Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, Inc.

Donna leads the preeminent pediatric healthcare provider in the U.S. She oversaw the merger of Scottish Rite and Egleston before being named CEO of the combined Children's Healthcare of Atlanta in 2008. She's remained a dedicated and tireless advocate for pediatric healthcare for over 3 decades. Under her leadership, Children's has seen monumental growth, with over 14,000 employees servicing 1.2 million patient visits annually today. During Tommy's time as Board Chair of Children's, he and Donna together led the vision and oversaw the development of the new 446-bed Children's Healthcare of Atlanta Arthur M. Blank Hospital.



VISION

DR. ÁNGEL CABRERA

President, Georgia Institute of Technology

Ángel has been President of Georgia Tech since 2019, and
the university has seen unprecedented growth since. He's
developed a 10-year strategic plan that has propelled Georgia
Tech to enrollment and admission records, substantially grown
its research enterprise, increased community engagement, and
transformed surrounding neighborhoods. Tommy graduated
from Georgia Tech in 1976, and his alma mater remains a huge
part of his life today as he continues to serve as Board Chair of
the Georgia Tech Foundation.



INTEGRITY

THE VERY REVEREND SAM CANDLER

Dean, Cathedral of St. Philip

Sam was born and raised here in Georgia, and he's served as Dean of the Cathedral of St. Philip since 1998. He's also an adjunct professor at Emory's Candler School of Theology and is known among faith communities for his optimistic and progressive vision of traditional Christian church life. Sam is a close friend of Tommy and Beth Holder. Tommy is a life-long member and supporter of the Cathedral of St. Philip, where he was baptized, married, and raised his children. During Sam's 27-year tenure as Dean, he and Tommy have worked together to oversee significant expansions of the church, including the recent addition of the new Good Faith Chapel.



MASTER OF CEREMONIES

DOUG HERTZ

Chairman & CEO, United Distributors

Doug joined the family business in 1978, and in 1984, he became the 3rd generation to head the company as President & CEO. He spearheaded an aggressive period of growth, numerous acquisitions, and brand expansion. Under Doug's leadership, the company grew from 48 to 1,300 employees and relocated its headquarters to a 30-acre site in Smyrna. Today, United Distributors is the largest beverage alcohol distributor in Georgia and Alabama, and Doug is molding the 4th generation of Hertz into leadership. Doug is a close friend of Tommy's and the 2020 recipient of the Council's Four Pillar Award.

Musical Tributes



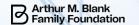
Georgia Tech Yellow Jacket Marching Band

Since 1908, the Yellow Jacket Marching Band has championed Georgia Tech tradition with spirited songs famed far and wide. The full Marching Band is comprised of over 300 students that represent every major and department at Georgia Tech. The Marching Band combines tradition with contemporary music to produce engaging, thematic performances for Tech's diverse fanbase. Now in its second century, the Yellow Jacket Marching Band is one of the oldest band programs in the country. Throughout its history, the Marching Band has performed at such prestigious events as the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade, the Orange Bowl, the TaxSlayer Bowl, the Music City Bowl, the Sun Bowl, the Citrus Bowl, the Gator Bowl, the All American Bowl, the Aloha Bowl, the Seattle Bowl, the Carquest Bowl, the Peach Bowl, the Final Fours in Denver and San Antonio, numerous other NCAA events, and the Dublin, Ireland St. Patrick's Day Parade. A 60-piece ensemble joins the Four Pillar Tribute for an opening performance from Tommy's alma mater.



Slater Nalley

Atlanta-native Slater Nalley appeared in the recent season of American Idol, where he finished in the Top 5 of contestants at just 17 years old. His audition earned him 3 "yeses" from the judges, bringing them to tears with an emotional original song "Traces of You" that he wrote in memory of his English teacher's late son. Slater just graduated from The Lovett School, where Tommy attended school as well. The Nalley family has deep roots across Atlanta and are close friends of the Holder family. Slater is a rising star in country music, delivering standout performances of both original music and classic covers with talent, heart, and community spirit.









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Thursday, October 16, 2025 | 6:00 p.m. Reception 7:15 p.m. Tribute Georgia World Congress Center | Georgia Ballroom

Opening Tribute **Greetings**

Georgia Tech Yellow Jacket Marching Band

Michael E. Paris

President & CEO, Council for Quality Growth

Clyde Higgs

President & CEO, Atlanta Beltline, Inc. Chairman, Council for Quality Growth

Special Remarks The Honorable Brian P. Kemp (Video)

Governor, State of Georgia

Welcome The Honorable Andre Dickens

Mayor, City of Atlanta

Sponsor Recognition

Invocation

Michael E. Paris, Clyde Higgs

The Very Reverend Sam Candler

Dean, Cathedral of St. Philip

Dinner

Four Pillar Tribute

Master of Ceremonies

Doug Hertz

Chairman & CEO, United Distributors

Quality

Beth Lowry

President & CEO, Holder Construction

Responsibility

Donna Hyland

CEO, Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, Inc.

Musical Tribute

Slater Nalley

2025 American Idol Finalist

"Starting Over" by Chris Stapleton

"Over the Rainbow" by Judy Garland

"Don't Think Twice, It's All Right" by Bob Dylan.

Vision

Dr. Angel Cabrera

President, Georgia Institute of Technology

Integrity

The Very Reverend Sam Candler

Dean, Cathedral of St. Philip

Video Tribute

"Opportunity | Empowerment | Integrity"

Award Presentation

Clyde Higgs

Acceptance

Tommy Holder

Closing Remarks

Michael E. Paris

2025 Four Pillar Honoree









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