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### Our second honoree is Brian D. Perin.

The Slate Belt Veterans Association is humbled and deeply grateful for the extraordinary generosity of Brian D. Perin (1960-2017). Through his incredible gift of \$3.5 million, Brian laid the cornerstone of our mission-ensuring that the dream of serving veterans and their families in our community becomes a reality. Brian's life reflected his devotion to others. A graduate of Pen Argyl High School, co-owner of Grand Central Sanitation, and a proud supporter of veterans, Brian believed in giving back to the men and women who served our nation. His compassion and commitment will continue to change lives for generations to come. Though he left us too soon, Brian's spirit lives on in the lives uplifted through his generosity. His legacy is one of service, gratitude, and love for community. We honor Brian's memory, and we promise to carry forward his vision with pride and purpose.

Accepting the Slate Belt Veterans wreath of honor is Linda Perin.

### Our third honoree is Edmund P. "Chip" Turtzo.

Edmund P. "Chip" Turtzo touched so many lives here in the Slate Belt and beyond. Born in Fountain Hill in 1947, he grew up in Bangor, graduated from Bangor High School, and later from Moravian College. He went on to serve his country proudly in the US Army National Guard as a second lieutenant. For nearly 50 years, Chip ran Residential Appraisal Services, but his impact stretched far beyond his career. He gave his time, talents, and heart to the community-whether through his church, the Slate Belt Heritage Center, the Homefront of the Slate Belt, or so many other organizations. His efforts earned him awards and honors, but more than that, he earned the love and respect of everyone who knew him. Above all else, Chip was a family man. He and his wife Tonya celebrated 52 wonderful years together. He was a proud dad to Michael, Jennifer, and J□

Accepting the Slate Belt Veterans wreath of honor is his daughter, Kristen Mutchler.

We would like to thank the following for making tonight's event possible.

Thank you to Bangor Area School District and special thanks to Mark Schavione, Jeff Mills, and their staff. Thank you to all who helped put on tonight's show. Especially, the Brown Lynch American Legion, Wind Gap American Legion, and the Rosetto American Legion. Also, Thanks to Mt Bethel Fire Company, Upper Mt Bethel Fire Company Ladies Auxiliary and Siberian Mets.

Thanks to everyone for and enjoyable evening and for your support of the Slate Belt Veterans.