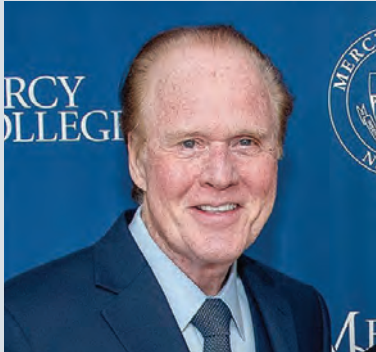


A Tribute to Joseph P. Kelleher, H.D. '22



The Mercy Community suffered a great loss with the passing of Joseph P. Kelleher, H.D. '22 in November 2022. Kelleher was a true friend to Mercy College and advocate for education. He was an experienced business executive

with an extensive background in real estate development and philanthropy. He was appointed president and chief operating officer of Hutch Management LLC in 2009 and previously served as the executive director of leasing and property management for the 42-acre Hutchinson Metro Center in Bronx, New York, home to the Mercy College Bronx Campus.

In 2012, Mercy honored Kelleher with the Bronx Leadership Award at the Annual Bronx Dinner. In July 2022, Mercy bestowed an honorary Doctor of Commercial Science degree to Kelleher for his outstanding achievement in his field and exceptional contributions to his community.

A generous supporter of Mercy for decades, Kelleher became

increasingly passionate about the College's mission when he learned that Mercy students and faculty from the School of Health and Natural Sciences traveled to the Dominican Republic on a humanitarian medical mission. Mercy's global humanitarian efforts inspired Kelleher to support several Mercy College scholarships over the years, such as the Trustees' Dinner Scholarship Fund, the Bronx Leadership Endowed Scholarship Fund and the Mercy Golf Classic Scholarship Award.

Kelleher was instrumental in establishing the Hutchinson Metro Center Bronx Leadership Endowed Scholarship Fund, which supports students who are residents of the Bronx, attended high school in the Bronx and who attend Mercy's Bronx Campus.

A Tribute to Paul Trent, Associate Professor Emeritus of Speech



The Mercy College Community mourned the loss of Associate Professor Emeritus of Speech Paul Trent, in early October 2022. Trent earned a B.A. in Journalism

from the University of Kentucky, an M.F.A. from the Yale University School of Drama, and an M.A. in Cinema Studies at New York University. After starting his teaching career at Rhode Island College, he arrived at Mercy College in 1968, retiring in 2019. Over his long career at Mercy, he taught for decades in theater, film, speech and oral communication, among other domains. He also served as program director of Speech Communication in the Division of Literature, Language and Communication and as faculty advisor for the Media Studies Program. He was also among the founders of the Film Studies Program, and, for a time, he taught in the Health Services Management Program.

A scholar and practitioner in the worlds of screen and stage, Trent was author of "The Image Makers" (1972) and "Those Fabulous Movie Years: The Thirties" (1975). As a practitioner, he wrote, directed, edited and produced documentaries in film and video, and directed and acted in numerous plays at Mercy and in independent theater productions. He deployed his communications expertise and talents diversely, from language skills training for customer service representatives at a Bronx HMO to directing and acting in a public radio production to commemorate 9/11. To make a donation to Mercy College in memory of Associate Professor Emeritus Paul Trent, please visit www.mercy.edu/trent.