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**SUFFOLK COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE'S JOHN LOMBARDO HONORED AT
HAUPPAUGE INDUSTRIAL ASSOCIATION'S FOURTH ANNUAL GALA**

Selden, NY – John Lombardo, Associate Vice President for Workforce and Economic Development at Suffolk County Community College, was recently recognized as one of seven individuals chosen as honorees for this year's Hauppauge Industrial Association's Annual Gala. As part of the program, Mr. Lombardo received a proclamation from Legislator John Kennedy in recognition of his dedication to workforce education and training.

Mr. Lombardo has devoted his entire career to education and training on Long Island. He spent the last twenty-five years leading the charge for industrial training and providing career paths for students. He is an advocate for manufacturing training, a proponent of formalized programs, and has been instrumental in forming an "Educational/Industry Consortium" for the purpose of creating a formal training center for Long Island.

Mr. Lombardo joined Suffolk County Community College in January 2006 to direct the Corporate Training Center. Since joining the College, he has been instrumental in securing over \$5 million dollars in federal training grants and over \$500,000 in New York State workforce grants. He has been honored by the Continuing Education Association of New York for development of exemplary training programs for New York State. Mr. Lombardo also serves on United States Congressman Steve Israel's Federal Manufacturing Task Force and has presented before the Senate Subcommittee for Manufacturing.

Dr. Shaun L. McKay, President of Suffolk County Community College commented, "The College is committed to economic empowerment, entrepreneurial development and workforce skills enhancement. With John Lombardo's leadership in this area, we are continuing to positively shape the region's workforce, a role that is now more crucial than ever."

Suffolk County Legislator John Kennedy commented, "I want to commend Suffolk County Community College President Shaun McKay for having the vision to support and promote the workforce and manufacturing curriculum and for placing John Lombardo at the helm. John Lombardo is deserving of this recognition from the HIA and is a shining example of someone who rolls up his sleeves and works hard every single day for the residents of Suffolk County."



Photo Caption: (Left to right) Suffolk County Legislator John Kennedy awards a proclamation to John Lombardo, Associate Vice President President for Workforce and Economic Development at Suffolk County Community College, during the HIA's annual gala.

About Suffolk County Community College

Suffolk County Community College (SCCC) is the largest community college in the State University of New York (SUNY) system, enrolling approximately 26,000 students at its three campuses in Selden, Brentwood and Riverhead. SCCC offers the Associate in Arts (A.A.), Associate in Science (A.S.), and Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) degrees, as well as a variety of certificate programs. Offering affordable college tuition, a highly respected Honors program, extensive extracurricular activities, championship athletic teams, and numerous transfer programs, SCCC is a first-choice college for Long Island students. Visit us online at sunysuffolk.edu.

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