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CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF THE  
RONALD REAGAN PRESIDENTIAL FOUNDATION AND INSTITUTE  
ON THE DEATH OF TOM KOROLOGOS**



Simi Valley, California—The Reagan Foundation joins the Korologos family and our fellow Americans in mourning former Ambassador to the Kingdom of Belgium Tom Korologos’ death.

As Ambassador Korologos himself once said, “My Reagan roots run deep and personal.” He worked in the 1980 Presidential campaign, managing the President’s Congressional relations. He later served as Chairman of the Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy during President Reagan’s Administration. Ambassador Korologos recently said about President Reagan, “My relationship became very personal when later I married [his] former Secretary of Labor, the late Ann M. Korologos who had Presidential appointments at the U S Treasury and as Deputy Secretary of the Interior.”

Ambassador Korologos was a true American Patriot, and his work had a significant footprint on our nation’s diplomacy around the world. He not only helped President Reagan, but he served in the Nixon and Ford Administrations as Deputy Assistant to the President for Legislative Affairs. He was even once called the “101st Senator” because of his knowledge and relationships in the United States Senate. During his tour in Iraq from May to December 2003, Ambassador Korologos was responsible for all Coalition Congressional affairs and played a key role in passage of the President's Iraq reconstruction budget request.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the Korologos family during this challenging time.

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