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Greater Washington Partnership Mourns the Passing of Tom Farrell, former Chairman, President and CEO of Dominion Energy

Washington, D.C. – The Greater Washington Partnership is deeply saddened by the sudden loss of Tom Farrell, former board member of the organization and former chairman, president, and chief executive of Dominion Energy. Farrell was among the earliest supporters of the Partnership, joining a group of leaders from across the Capital Region committed to fostering unity and advancing growth to make our region the most inclusive economy in the country. Farrell’s personal dedication to community was renowned, as was his commitment to fostering diversity and inclusion, and improving the quality of life in Richmond and beyond.

“If we can help, we have a responsibility to help,” Mr. Farrell said in a profile in the Richmond Times-Dispatch in 2017. Under his leadership, Dominion donated more than \$400 million to philanthropic causes.

In the wake of the killing of George Floyd, Farrell stated that “words can evoke empathy, compassion and understanding, but actions truly speak louder. So, we are investing in recovery and reconciliation, and in the vital work of overcoming years of debilitating actions, attitudes and abuses of authority that have traumatized our country.” In 2020 under Farrell’s leadership, Dominion quickly increased their commitments to advance equity through a six-year, \$25M commitment to historically black colleges and universities, and another \$5M to support nonprofit organizations advocating for social justice and small businesses.

“Tom was the definition of a great partner,” said **Russ Ramsey, co-founder, former Chair, and member of the Executive Committee of the Partnership**. “His passion for community, for equity, and for enhancing life in Richmond were unparalleled. He was an incredible leader and friend and will always be a role model for our efforts.”

“Tom was a true leader in our community, and he will be deeply missed,” said **JB Holston, CEO of the Greater Washington Partnership**. “His love of the region and generous commitment to making it more inclusive and equitable will have a lasting impact on all of us.”



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The Greater Washington Partnership is a first-of-its-kind civic alliance of CEOs in the region, drawing from the leading employers and entrepreneurs committed to making the Capital Region— from Baltimore to Richmond—one of the world's best places to live, work and thrive. Working in collaboration with leaders across our communities, the Partnership connects and leverages the region's extraordinary assets to advance inclusive, actionable solutions that strengthen Capital Region as a leading global region and center for commerce and innovation.



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