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A TRIBUTE TO DEAN BOGOMOLNY

*Senator Howard M. Metzenbaum**

It seems unnatural to refer to Robert Bogomolny as “Former Dean Bogomolny.” Those of us who knew Bob as Law Dean of Cleveland-Marshall knew a man who thoroughly embodied his title.

He carried out his demanding and varied tasks with such natural know-how and attentiveness that he could easily have been taken for granted. That was never the case, however. His inspiring leadership and civility was—and remains today—immensely appreciated.

The challenges facing Bob when he took the reins at Cleveland-Marshall might have proved overwhelming for a lesser individual. However, Bob met each and every challenge, and surpassed even the highest expectations. He forged a path of academic excellence and laid the foundation for an institution of which all of Cleveland can be proud.

If someone excels in one aspect of their career, we consider that person a success. Bob Bogomolny somehow managed to stand out in a seemingly exhausting array of activities—student, attorney, educator, administrator, author, public servant and community activist. Throughout his life, he has been a man who makes a difference.

The students and faculty of Cleveland-Marshall who benefited from his guidance will truly miss Dean Bogomolny. While leaving behind his title, however, he takes with him immeasurable gratitude and modestly earned, though greatly deserved, respect. There really is no greater tribute than that.

* United States Senator

