



## Rep. Tom Emmer on Emmer Honors the Life of Dick Bernick

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### **\*\*REP. TOM EMMER:**

\*\* Madam Speaker, this past week our community lost a dedicated leader and a friend. Dick Burnick, the patriarch of the third generation to run family-owned Burnick's Companies, passed away after an incredible life. Burnick's Companies is a Minnesota success story. This past year, Burnick's and the Burnick family reached an amazing milestone with the 100th anniversary celebration of the business. Dick played a huge role in that success by guiding and growing the family business through good and financially difficult times. Dick Burnick's life was an American success. Not just because of his business, though, but because his life was filled with family, friends, and service to the community he so loved. Dick gave so much to the St. Cloud community. In fact, his company continues to donate a percentage of its profits back to different charities and organizations in the communities that Burnick serves. We send our sincere condolences to Dick's wife, Lila, his children, and the rest of his family. We hope that you will find comfort in the fact that Dick's life and his legacy of generosity have left an indelible mark on our community and the community that he loved and that he will always be remembered. I yield back.

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