

Introductory comment from Alyssa Mowitz Mehalick:

While many street names honor major figures in our society – presidents, prominent businesspeople, and athletes; many also honor people like my grandparents - ordinary people who live extraordinary lives of enormous impact. My grandparents put service to their community - this community - at the heart of all that they did as consummate servant leaders.

They....

- led the team that pioneered telemedicine and distance learning.
- wired a college campus and led it into the 21st century.
- opened their home to young citizens of the world.
- gave of their abundance freely
- cooked, baked, organized, built, cleaned and more for those organizations that serve the most vulnerable among us.

Their commitment was always to others and bettering the human condition. While the name on the sign might not be widely known, their impact certainly was widely felt. This street sign is more than a posthumous honor. I am hopeful that people from all over will encounter this sign and be motivated to learn more about Benny and Reba and their extraordinary impact and be driven to replicate it in their own lives.

We need teachers, thinkers, and doers, who work tirelessly the way my grandparents did, now more than ever.

We wish to thank all the attendees of this every special event including distinguished guests Omaha City Councilman for District 3 Danny Begley, Kyle Meyer, PhD, MS, FASAHP, Dean of the UNMC College of Allied Health Professions, past and present members of both the UNMC and Creighton University faculty and staff, members of our faith family from Our Lady of Lourdes, the many people who like Benny and Reba serve others through AARP, Stephen Center, etc. and our extended family.