

*Senator Rich Funke was elected to represent the New York State Senate's 55th District, covering parts of Monroe and Ontario counties, on November 4, 2014.*

*He Chairs the Senate Committee on Cultural Affairs, Tourism, Parks & Recreation and serves as Vice-Chair for Science, Technology, Incubation & Entrepreneurship. He also serves on seven other committees, including the Aging, Agriculture, Cities, Commerce, Economic Development & Small Business, Environmental Conservation, Consumer Protection, and Higher Education Committees. In addition, Senator Funke is a member of the New York State Senate Heroin Task Force.*

*A Hall of Fame broadcaster and trusted community voice, Rich served on-air at News10NBC Rochester for over 40 years until his retirement in December, 2012. He has devoted his time and energy to Golisano Children's Hospital, Cancer Action, Ronald McDonald House, Camp Good Days and Special times, and other charitable causes. Rich is also a member of the Monroe County Sheriff's Foundation and serves as a Lector at St. John of Rochester Church. Rich and his wife Pat are residents of Perinton.*