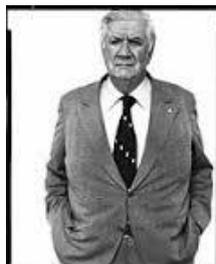


The Tip O' Neill Irish Diaspora Award Nomination Form 2020



**Comhairle Contae
Dhún na nGall**
Donegal County Council

Introduction:

Tip O'Neill was a liberal Democrat and an influential member of the US House of Representatives. Throughout his long and distinguished career, he spoke to and for both the Irish community and all vulnerable residents in the United States. He firmly believed in the responsibility and capacity of government to bring about social change and its duty to resolve many social problems. In 1977, he denounced violence in Northern Ireland and used his influential position to become one of the most important US advocates, playing a key role for peace in Northern Ireland. His vision and his determination to make Ireland a better place were crucial in the negotiations that led to the Anglo Irish Agreement in 1985 and the establishment of the International Fund for Ireland.

The Tip O'Neill Irish Diaspora Award was initiated in 2012 as a means of commemorating the centenary of the birth of the late Tip O'Neill an illustrious grandson of Donegal emigrants and an eminent member of the Irish Diaspora. This award has gained momentum since the inaugural ceremony and has become a highlight of the Donegal County Council's calendar and Diaspora Initiative.

The Tip O'Neill Irish Diaspora Award is presented on an annual basis at a ceremony in Donegal to a member of the broad Irish Diaspora in recognition of achievements in their chosen field and can be given to an individual who has:

- Achieved eminence in their chosen careers, especially in business, commerce, industry and philanthropy making Donegal/Ireland proud by brilliant performance in their field of merit.
- Made an outstanding contribution towards fostering a better understanding aboard of Donegal/Ireland and its civilization.
- Extended their support to Donegal/Ireland's causes and concerns including contributing to Donegal/Ireland's success on the world stage.
- Given a meaningful individual contribution at community level.

The closing date for receipt of completed nomination forms is Wednesday 01st April 2020

Nominator:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Nominee:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Work Address: _____

Work Email: _____

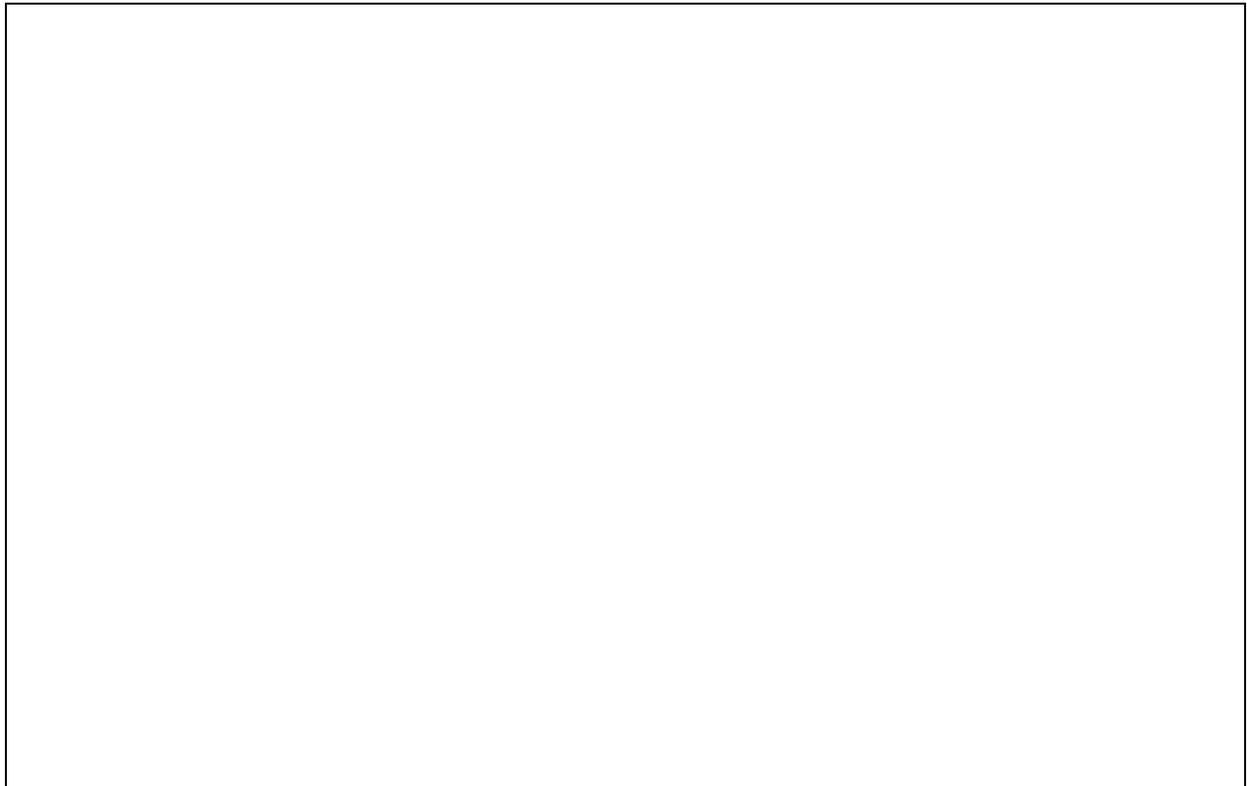
Work Website: _____

**Please outline the reasons that this person should be considered for the Tip O' Neill
Diaspora Award (TONDA) referring in particular to their ability to make connections and
raise the profile of Donegal on the International stage.**

(Provide a comprehensive statement as to why you believe this person should be
considered for the TONDA ~ minimum 80 words – maximum 150 words)

Please outline the nominees association with and/or links to Donegal

(Provide details about your nominee, family links, business, community links or association with Donegal).

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin black border, intended for the user to provide details about the nominee's association with Donegal. The box is currently blank.

Please outline any actions which your nominee may have already engaged in, in support of Donegal, either at home or overseas.

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin black border, intended for the user to write their response to the question above.

PLEASE NOTE:

The awards ceremony will take place in September 2020 – date TBC and the award recipient must be available on the night to accept the award. Please include contact details for your nominee with the nomination form.

Have you discussed this nomination with the nominee?

YES

NO

Please confirm that you have made contact with your nominee and that they would be available to attend the awards ceremony should the nomination be successful

YES

NO

Nominee's contact details:

Are you willing to have your details added to the Donegal Diaspora database for future communication?

YES

NO

Please return completed nomination forms either by post or by email to me at:

Joanne Kilmartin,
Diaspora Project,
Local Enterprise Office,
The Enterprise Fund Business Centre,
Ballyraine,
Letterkenny,
Co. Donegal,
Ireland.

Or

Email: hello@irishdiasporaaward.com on or before the closing date of **01st April 2020.**

Thank you for taking the time to complete the Tip O' Neill Irish Diaspora Awards nomination form.