A Life Well Lived – In Tribute to Vartan Gregorian

To say that Vartan was one of a kind is an understatement. He was generous of mind and spirit, caring and compassionate, brilliant and innovative. He was the best kind of leader – because he led with both pragmatism and heart. His impact was and will remain enormous – in the world of scholarship and higher education, philanthropy and culture. He was, as I once introduced him, the very definition of a *mensch*.

His legacy will live on in the design of the 9/11 Memorial – selected by the jury that deliberated under his insightful and inspired leadership. His philanthropy shone brightly in the twin beams of the Tribute in Light, whose presentation he was dedicated to supporting. And, his wisdom and guidance, shared generously at Board and Committee meetings and in informal conversations, helped shaped so many of the programs and exhibitions we have produced over the years.

I will always consider it a privilege to have known him, to have thought of him as both mentor and friend. May his memory always be a blessing.

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