

## Associated Subcontractors of Mass. president's farewell message - by Joseph Bodio

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As my term serving as president of the Associated Subcontractors of Massachusetts comes to a close, I can't help but reflect on the past two years as I plan for my next venture.

For more years than I'd like to admit, I have wanted to serve as president for ASM and NECA and am incredibly grateful to have achieved these goals. ASM is a tremendous organization that provides incredible benefits for its members. I have learned a great deal working with them not only during my presidency, but also as a long-standing member. However, as I reflect on these last two years, I am joined by the same thoughts I had when I wrote "Are You Ready?" last November regarding retirement and whether any of us have truly prepared sufficiently for what the future may bring. Have I done enough during my presidency where I can confidently walk away without regrets, trusting that I have reached the end of my term having achieved all the goals I had set for myself? After contemplating this for quite some time, I do believe that I made the best of my two-year term, hoping I leave ASM in a better place than when I came onboard.

After reminiscing over the many things that have occurred over the last 24 months, it is strange to think just how fast two years can fly by and how many changes can be made in that time span. I had mentioned in one of my recent columns, "The Technology of Tomorrow is Here, and We Need to Prepare", that technology is catapulting our industry forward quicker than we ever dreamed possible. Projects that would have taken at minimum five or ten years to complete are now being completed in just a mere couple of years. A perfect example of this is the developments being made to the Boston skyline. In the span of my ASM presidency alone, we have seen a dramatic change in the city's developments and in just a couple more years, the city I knew decades ago will become a mere memory, making room for innovative buildings, structures, and roadways that reflect today's modern age. It is truly remarkable what our industry has been capable of and I cannot be more excited to see where it is headed in the years to come.

In closing, I would like to sincerely thank ASM and its members for allowing me the great privilege of serving as your president for the last two years. During my tenure, I have shared great laughs, built new friendships, and made lasting memories that I will cherish long after I step down. It does bring

me some sadness to be moving on as it has been an honor holding this position; however, it is time for someone new to step forward and take ASM to new heights. Thank you again for allowing me to serve as your president and I wish the best of luck to all of you.

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