



## Digital Edge CEO Honored by New York City Comptroller John C. Liu

New York City, NY- June 29, 2010- Digital Edge CEO Michael Petrov was honored by New York City Comptroller John C. Liu during the Russian Heritage and Culture Celebration that took place at Surrogates Courthouse. Mr. Petrov was declared a distinguished honoree that received a Commendation Award for his hard work and dedication to the New York City Russian-American community.



Michael Petrov's award recognition highlighted his strong and ongoing support to both his culture and to the Staten Island community. Through his efforts he created the "[Key to the Future](#)" Scholarship Competition which recognized and awarded extraordinary Staten Island high school students in the technology field; educating them on finding ways to improve security technology for enhanced support. Michael and his company Digital Edge formed a partnership between PS 5 Huguenot School in Staten Island through [Pencil](#) to encourage growth within inner-city schools. His support includes building stronger technology platforms within the school and raising money to better the school grounds and surrounding community. Michael also contributes his expertise and time to the Staten Island Chamber of Commerce, Hillel College of Staten Island, and the Global Campaign for Microbicides. Along with his company, Michael keeps active within the community and devotes his time to additional causes such as March of Dimes. His selflessness within the community shows his exuberant pride and dedication to people and the community of New York City, which lead to his honor and award acceptance. Because of all of Michael's constant involvement with the Staten Island community, he was also recognized as "[Man of the Year](#)" by the Wagner College Coalition in 2009 for his outstanding contributions to Staten Island.

**Michael's Message:** During his speech, Michael touched upon the importance of children's higher education and their ability to be involved in technology. Speaking from his Russian heritage and extensive knowledge in multiple technical and intellectual backgrounds, he interprets America's role in the world and global economy, with enhanced discussions on America's position regarding the development of new technologies and its capability to offer the highest engineering education possible. "Technology is a huge factor as to why America is far more ahead than other countries economically." –Michael Petrov



Closing his speech, Michael recognized his corporate partners at Digital Edge Irene Goltsman and Michael Nikhamov, and thanked his esteemed technical, marketing and sales teams for all of their commitment and efforts. Mr. Petrov also thanked member of the NY State Assembly Alec Brook- Krasny, and companies such as AIS ([Alternative Investment Solutions](#)), Supreme Screw and Delex for their long-time support and guidance.

The celebration ended with a song performance by Katia and closing remarks by Comptroller John C. Liu.

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