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Calabro also serves as President and Chief Executive Officer of the Prudential Financial - Davis Productivity Awards Foundation, Inc. which recognizes rewards and replicates outstanding government productivity, and innovative cost-saving achievements throughout Florida government worth over \$6.7 billion to date.

Calabro is an "almost native" Floridian, having moved to South Florida from New York at the age of eleven. After attending Catholic school, including four years at Catholic Seminary, Calabro graduated with high honors from Broward Community College, later receiving his Bachelor's degree with highest honors from Florida International University. Calabro also holds a Master's degree from Florida State University and will soon complete a second Master's degree in public finance and budgeting.

Before joining TaxWatch in the early 1980s, Calabro served as an analyst with the Florida Senate Ways and Means Committee.

Under Calabro's leadership, Florida TaxWatch has earned and maintained the respect of the state's most highly regarded and influential leaders and has earned the credibility and respect of the citizens of Florida and the state and national media.

In addition to many business and civic honors, Calabro was named by the national Junior Chamber of Commerce as one of the nation's Ten Outstanding Young Americans in 1994. Most recently, he was recognized by the Florida Society of Association Executives, as the "Executive of the Year" for 2006, the Institution's highest honor.

Calabro resides in Tallahassee with his wife, Debbie and four children.