

CONDOLENCE MOTION

Moved by: Mayor Miller

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Pantalone

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened by the tragic events resulting from the earthquake in the Abruzzo region of Italy and the City of L'Aquila, once twinned with the former City of York prior to Amalgamation.

Any natural disaster is a tragedy with power to affect thousands or even millions of lives. This terrible disaster is particularly poignant to many Torontonians as this City is home to over half a million residents of Italian Heritage - many of whom have friends and family members directly affected.

All Torontonians feel deeply for the loss of hundreds of lives and the thousands injured or left homeless - and stand ready to assist in any way possible. We also recognize the serious loss to the world of the tremendous heritage of this historic region. Torontonians also know that the great resilience of the Italian people will see them through this difficult time.

The City Clerk is requested to convey, on behalf of the Members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy to the Consul General of the Italian Republic in Toronto.

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