

CONDOLENCE MOTION

Moved by: Mayor David Miller

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Pantalone

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened by the passing of Mr. David Kent Pecaut on Monday, December 14, 2009.

Mr. Pecaut was a widely respected community leader who devoted his life to civic entrepreneurship and volunteering. His passion was his city and everything about Toronto delighted and inspired him. As a trailblazing business consultant and strategist, Mr. Pecaut was convinced that Toronto could become a model for the world.

Mr. Pecaut's legacy in Toronto will not be soon forgotten. His creativity and hard work in spearheading projects such as the Toronto City Summit Alliance in 2002, and guidance with initiatives like DiverseCity, the Toronto Region Research Alliance, Emerging Leaders Network, Greening Greater Toronto and Modernizing Income Security for Working Age Adults were just some of the many projects he was involved in. In 2003, Mr. Pecaut convened the Toronto Alliance but his most cherished and beloved project debuted in 2007. Toronto's Luminato, an international arts and culture festival, has been a staple in Toronto's summer identity since its inception and has become very successful. These were only a handful of Mr. Pecaut's gifts to Toronto.

Mr. Pecaut was recently honoured by the Governor General and the Government of Canada by being posthumously awarded the Order of Canada, for his distinguished service as a civic leader and volunteer and for his contributions to the arts community and the City of Toronto.

The City Clerk is requested to convey, on behalf of the Members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy to Mr. David Kent Pecaut's family.

January 26, 2010