

CONDOLENCE MOTION

Moved by: **Councillor Ootes**

Seconded by: **Councillor Parker**

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Anne Sinclair on Friday, March 19, 2010.

Born on December 11, 1927, Anne Sinclair, in her 82nd year, passed away at Toronto East General Hospital. Mrs. Sinclair was an outstanding volunteer, advocate for women's rights and contributor to community life in East York. Mrs. Sinclair accomplished a great deal during her incredible and inspiring life time.

Known to many elected officials in the former Borough of East York and those representing East York on Toronto City Council, Mrs. Sinclair was the volunteer founder of the East York Mayor's Christmas Day Dinner that was started under Mayor Dave Johnson. Continuing to this very day, the event on an annual basis feeds over 200 seniors and citizens who would otherwise spend Christmas alone.

During her entire 82 years, Mrs. Sinclair exemplified what true volunteerism and community involvement is all about. She was a proud East Yorker and a community volunteer who participated in the political process at all three levels of government. She made outstanding contributions in the areas of fairness to seniors, social services and women's rights.

Mrs. Sinclair attended her first Provincial Council of Women 40 years ago and served in ten different capacities including a three-year term as the President of the Ontario Council of Women. She later sought a lengthy association with the Toronto and Area Council of Women and coordinated special volunteer projects that included Goodwill Ambassador, organized donations and fundraising campaigns for the Salvation Army Sponsorship Fund in developing countries. Overall, she is a perfect example of giving back to the community. Mrs. Sinclair touched the lives of everyone who met her and she will be dearly missed.

The City Clerk is requested to convey, on behalf of the Members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy to her family. She is survived by her niece Heather Vandewall and her two grand nieces Kristen and Amanda.

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