

CONDOLENCE MOTION

Moved by: Councillor Paula Fletcher

Seconded by: Councillor Josh Colle

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of A.H. “Alf” Savage on Saturday, January 24, 2015.

Mr. Savage had a long and exceptional career in public service in the former Borough of York, Toronto, Edmonton, Buffalo and Calgary. He served as the Commissioner of Parks and Recreation for the Borough of York from 1965 to 1972 and as Chief General Manager of the Toronto Transit Commission from 1981 to 1987. During his time with the TTC he opened the Scarborough RT and introduced articulated streetcars and buses to the fleet.

Born in Sarnia, Ontario in 1930 and educated at the Niagara Parks Horticultural School and the MIT Executive Management Program, Mr. Savage served variously as Commissioner of the Niagara Frontier Transit Authority and Executive Director of the Chicago Transit Authority.

He consulted with transportation services in the Czech Republic, Hungary, Peru, Boliva, Latvia and China.

When semi-retired he returned to Calgary, Alberta to become Presiding Officer of the Alberta Municipal Appeals Board and Chairman of the Board of Olds Collage. He was appointed Chairman of the Alberta Insurance Rates Board and Director for Canada on the World Transportation Congress.

Mr. Savage was an avid outdoorsman and fisher as well as a recognized military historian and a celebrated oboist. He never gave up his love of horticulture and was a large supporter of public art, parks and gardens.

The City Clerk is requested to convey, on behalf of the Members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy to the Savage Family.

February 10, 2015