

## **CONDOLENCE MOTION**

## Moved by: Councillor Stephen Holyday

Seconded by: Councillor Mark Grimes

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Bill Alexander on January 25, 2021.

Bill made tremendous contributions toward increasing access and reducing barriers for people with disabilities through his tireless advocacy, policy review and development, and through his countless stakeholder meetings which affected Master Planning Projects within the City of Toronto. Bill was the first Chair of the Barrier Free Access Committee with the former City of Etobicoke and after amalgamation, he sat on the first Toronto Accessibility Committee and Chaired Parks Forestry and Recreation's Community Disability Steering Committee.

Throughout Bill's volunteer work both at Trillium Hospital and the Dorothy Ley Hospice, he was always improving the world for others which is in part why he received the Community Action Award, presented by the Lieutenant Governor David Onley. Bill will be remembered fondly for his many contributions towards the betterment of his community and dedicated advocacy for ensuring an accessible society.

Bill is survived by his wife, Ruth and children, Margaret Anne Elizabeth Colbear, Peter John Alexander and Judy Ryeland along with his 6 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren Bill has left a strong legacy behind for others to carry on and will be deeply missed by family, friends and many of the City of Toronto staff that had the opportunity to work alongside him.

The City Clerk is requested to convey, on behalf of the Members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy to Bill Alexander's family.

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