CONDOLENCE MOTION

Moved by: Councillor Michael Thompson

Seconded by: Councillor Glenn De Baeremaeker

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Mrs. Muriel Poirier on March 9, 2011.

Muriel was born in Toronto in 1933, the daughter of immigrant parents from Scotland and Ukraine. Raised and schooled in downtown Toronto, she met Vernon Poirier, when she was just a teenager. The two married in 1953, and moved to Scarborough in 1954. Living in the same home for their entire married life, the Poirier's raised their two children and established deep roots in their community.

Muriel supported the Maryvale Community Association and Maryvale Softball, steadfastly assisting with fund raising and community events. Muriel especially loved her volunteer work at Maryvale Public School, helping to teach reading to Grade 1 and 2 students at the school that her great-grandchildren attend.

In addition to her rich and active life as a community volunteer, gardener and dedicated home maker, Muriel also worked outside of the home until December, 2010 when she was 77 years old.

Muriel is survived by her husband, Vernon, daughter Denise Hayward, son Steven, five grandchildren and two great grandchildren. The family's grief is tempered by gratitude for Muriel's full and rich life, and especially for the gifts of love and service that she gave to others.

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

April 12, 2011