

CONDOLENCE MOTION

Moved by: Councillor Janet Davis

Seconded by: Councillor Mary-Margaret McMahon

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Obdulio (Chico) Mineque who passed away suddenly on September 19, 2011, just short of his 61st birthday.

Born in Quezon City, Philippines, Chico Mineque chose to make East York his home.

Chico Mineque was multi-talented. He played piano and guitar, was skilled at woodcarving and building, he excelled at baseball, liked martial arts and enjoyed many other sports as well, but it was coaching swimming that became his passion.

Realizing that both of his sons enjoyed and excelled at swimming, Chico determinedly studied the mechanics of swimming. He excelled first as a swim coach for his boys and then for 24 years as a beloved coach for the Crescent Town Swim Club. Although he never learned to swim himself, his knowledge of the sport and his understanding of young people made him a success. Chico excelled in teaching and his encouragement and friendship left a lasting impact on many lives. He will be missed by the many young people who looked to him as a mentor and friend.

Chico Mineque will always be remembered for his contagious laugh, zest for life, wonderful sense of humour, and big smile by his wife Lynn, sons Che and Kyle, daughter-in-law Erin, grandchildren Quezon, Zen and Takeo, and many friends.

The City Clerk is requested to convey, on behalf of the Members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy to Chico Mineque's family and friends.

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