City Council

Notice of Motion

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Nomination for the Lieutenant Governor's Ontario Heritage Award for Lifetime Achievement - by Councillor Pam McConnell, seconded by Councillor Kristyn Wong-Tam

Recommendations

Councillor Pam McConnell, seconded by Councillor Kristyn Wong-Tam, recommends that:

1. City Council nominate Rollo Myers for the Lieutenant Governor's Ontario Heritage Award for Lifetime Achievement and advise the Ontario Heritage Trust of this decision.

Summary

The Ontario Heritage Trust's Heritage Community Recognition Program, recognizes individuals who have made volunteer contributions to preserving, protecting and promoting community heritage over a period of 25 years or more through the Lieutenant Governor's Ontario Heritage Award for Lifetime Achievement. A motion of support by a municipality is a requirement of the nomination process.

Rollo Myers is recommended for nomination for a Lieutenant Governor's Ontario Heritage Award for Lifetime Achievement.

As a volunteer for more than 25 years, Mr. Myers has provided critical leadership and made significant contributions towards the conservation of heritage resources within his community and the province. Mr. Myers lived in the Toronto neighbourhood of Cabbagetown from 1970 to 2010. He restored three historic houses in his community and was recognized for this work with an Award of Merit from the former Toronto Historical Board. He was awarded the Jane Jacob's Prize in 2000 for his efforts to restore the site of the Upper Canada's First Parliament Buildings to public ownership.

Mr. Myers was appointed by Toronto City Council to The War of 1812 Commemoration Committee, to the Task Force to Bring Back the Don in 1992 and to the former Toronto Historical Board in 1985. He is a founding member of the Citizens for the Old Town (1995), the Friends of Fort York (1994), and the West Don Lands Committee (1992). He served as the Heritage Canada Foundation's Governor for Ontario for six years (2004-2010) representing the

^{*} Notice of this Motion has been given.

^{*} This Motion is subject to referral to the Planning and Growth Management Committee. A two thirds vote is required to waive referral.

Province with distinction.

He was awarded the Arts & Letters Club Award in 2002 for heritage advocacy and became a honourary member of the Ontario Association of Architects in 2011. In 2012, he was awarded the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal for his community service.

Mr. Myers exemplifies the role of a community volunteer and advocate. His engaging and persuasive manner has generated support for many important heritage initiatives. His continuing commitment to the telling of our stories and the preservation of our built and natural environment has contributed greatly to our understanding and conservation of numerous important heritage sites in Toronto and across Ontario.

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Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM37.26