CONDOLENCE MOTION

Moved by: Councillor Janet Davis

Seconded by: Councillor Paula Fletcher

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Elizabeth (Bette) Baskerville, nee Browell, on April 30, 2013 in her 85th year.

Bette was born in Canyon, BC, on March 19, 1929, a twin, and one of nine children. She was married for 62 years to John (Jack) Baskerville. In B.C. Bette gave birth to three daughters, Wendy, Susan and Shelley. Susan sadly passed away at age 24. Wendy became a chef and Shelley became a Toronto City Councillor of whom Bette was extremely proud.

Together with Big Grampa Jack, Gramma Bette was also a devoted grandma, great grandmother, and aunt, thoroughly enjoying every family holiday. Their home was a place of welcome and their sofa bed always available to young family members coming from out of town.

She kept busy canvassing for local politicians, including her daughter Councillor Shelley Carroll, as well as the Heath and Stroke Foundation of Canada. She kept fit golfing, curling, swimming, bowling and skiing in her beloved mountains. Bette and Jack travelled to Europe, Russia and the United States. She especially enjoyed Florida.

Grandma Bette was an engaged citizen, family leader, fun loving mother, grandmother, aunt and cherished friend to many across Canada. She will be sorely missed.

The City Clerk is requested to convey, on behalf of the Members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy to City Councillor Shelley Carroll and her family.

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