

## CONDOLENCE MOTION

**Moved by: Mayor Rob Ford**

**Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Doug Holyday**

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Mr. Paul Cellucci on June 8, 2013.

Born in the working-class town of Hudson, Massachusetts, Mr. Cellucci served in both the Massachusetts House of Representatives and Senate before being elected Lieutenant-Governor in 1991. He served in the position for six years until becoming Acting Governor in 1997 when then Governor William Weld resigned to pursue an ambassadorship. In 1998, Mr. Cellucci was officially elected as Governor, serving one full term before resigning to accept the position of U.S. ambassador to Canada under former President George W. Bush. He resigned from the role in 2005.

In 2011, Mr. Cellucci publicly revealed he had been diagnosed with ALS, also known as Lou Gehrig's disease. Wanting to turn his condition into something positive, he became an advocate for research into the disease by helping to launch the University of Massachusetts ALS Champion Fund. The campaign raised close to \$2 million in support of ALS research under Mr. Cellucci's leadership.

Mr. Cellucci was a devoted public servant with a career in politics spanning three decades during which he never lost an election. He was also a loving family man who will always be remembered by his wife Jan, two daughters and four grandchildren.

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

June 11, 2013