

## 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. Murray Frum on May 27, 2013.

Born the son of Polish immigrants, Mr. Frum studied dentistry at the University of Toronto where he graduated from in 1956. The following year, he married a history student named Barbara who later achieved prominence as the well known CBC broadcaster Barbara Frum.

Mr. Frum's passion for art collecting began in the late 1950s in the Metropolitan Museum of Art gift shop in New York. A \$75 Egyptian wood sculpture caught his eye so he borrowed the money from a local branch of his university fraternity and bought the piece. That sculpture is now a part of the Frum Collection of African Art at the Art Gallery of Ontario (AGO).

Mr. Frum left the dentistry profession in 1970 to focus his career on real estate development. In 1992, Barbara died of leukemia. Mr. Frum married his second wife, business executive Nancy Lockhart, in 1994 with whom he happily spent the remainder of his life.

Over the years, Mr. Frum donated more than 80 pieces to the AGO, most notably a 17<sup>th</sup> century life-size bronze piece by Bernini that he, along with wife Nancy, donated in 2007. The piece was said to be worth \$50 million when it was donated.

Mr. Frum was also actively involved in the arts community. He served as president of the Ontario Arts Council and the Stratford Festival as well as trustee of the AGO and Governor of Mount Sinai Hospital. His philanthropic contributions were recognized in November 2000 with an appointment as a Member of the Order of Canada.

Mr. Frum will always be remembered by his loving wife Nancy, his three children and several grandchildren. He will be deeply missed by those privileged to have known him.

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

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