

CONDOLENCE MOTION

Moved by: Mayor Rob Ford

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Norm Kelly

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of RSM George McKiel on August 8, 2013.

An Order of Ontario and Diamond Jubilee recipient, Mr. McKiel was heavily involved with the Canadian Military. He had two active tours of duty in Germany and the Middle East and three postings within Canada.

For the past 47 years, Mr. McKiel was an active member of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 10 Todmorden. He was the Regimental Sergeant Major of the Colour Guard. Annually, he made appearances in the Warrior's Day Parade in Toronto, Remembrance Day and Canada Day celebrations and Native Canadian Affairs - Metis' event at Queen's Park.

Mr. McKiel was an actor and member of ACTRA (Alliance of Canadian Cinema, Television and Radio Artists), appearing in front of the camera for Kodak, the Royal Canadian Mint and 'Shades of 45.' His appearances were often supportive of the issues he held dear to his heart: military and veteran issues.

Mr. McKiel has been recognized for his numerous contributions to the Canadian Military and his weekly volunteer work with Sunnybrook Veteran's Hospital.

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

August 26, 2013