

City Council

Motion without Notice

MM50.29	ACTION			Ward:All
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Planting Red Poppies to honour Canadian World War I Veterans and in Commemoration of the Poem "In Flanders Fields" by John McCrae - by Mayor Rob Ford, seconded by Councillor Doug Ford

- * Notice of this Motion has not been given. A two-thirds vote is required to waive notice.*
- * This Motion is subject to referral to the Parks and Environment Committee. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.*
- * This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair.*

Recommendations

Mayor Rob Ford, seconded by Councillor Doug Ford, recommends that:

1. City Council direct the Acting General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation to plant a garden of 100 red poppies at an appropriate venue commemorative of both our Canadian Veterans and Mr. McCrae's poem, such as the University Avenue landscape medians or at the City Hall Cenotaph.

Summary

July 2014 marks the 100th Anniversary of the start of World War I. In recognition of this anniversary and of the historic and cultural value of John McCrae, the author of "In Flanders Fields", the City of Toronto should plant red poppies.

This Motion is urgent as the appropriate planting season for poppies is fast approaching.

(Submitted to City Council on April 1 and 2, 2014 as MM50.29)

Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM50.29