

CONDOLENCE MOTION

Moved by: Councillor Mary Fragedakis

Seconded by: Councillor Janet Davis

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are saddened by the loss of Jack William Aldred on February 12, 2015.

Jack Aldred was born December 18, 1923 to Fred and Florence in a house on Kingston Road. His father was a tailor at Tip Top Tailors and a First World War veteran and his mother, Florence, a homemaker. Both his parents were from London, England.

Jack attended Norway school and then Danforth Technical and Collegiate Institute where he played high school football. In 1942, at the age of 19, Jack joined the Royal Canadian Navy. Just after one year of training Jack was placed on the HMCS Prince Robert, an anti-aircraft cruiser converted from a Canadian National steamship. After his training, Jack married Marion in 1943. He worked at Canada Post from 1948 and retired in 1987.

After his retirement, Jack became a crossing guard. He will be remembered for his community involvement in spearheading a petition to install a new pedestrian crosswalk on Mortimer Avenue at Carlaw Avenue. Children's safety was of utmost importance to him and he was well-loved by all the children and residents in the community.

Jack received citations and awards including a Dean's Award from Centennial College, his readings at the annual Remembrance Day Celebrations held at the East York Civic Centre, a Lifetime Membership Award from the Royal Canadian Legion, Crossing Guard of the Year (2005-2006) from the Toronto Police Service and a Minister of Veteran Affairs Commendation.

Surrounded by his family, Jack peacefully passed away at the age of 91.

The City Clerk is requested to convey, on behalf of the Members of Toronto City Council, our deepest condolences to the family and friends of Jack William Aldred.

March 10, 2015