

## CONDOLENCE MOTION

**Moved by: Councillor Mike Layton**

**Seconded by: Councillor Joe Cressy**

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Vincenzo Gasparro on Friday, March 20, 2015.

Born in Sannicandro, Italy on March 2, 1938, Vincenzo is predeceased by his parents Pasquale and Lucia Gasparro. Vincenzo leaves behind his beloved wife Santina of 48 years. He was a devoted son and a sentimental husband who never missed an occasion to gift his wife with flowers. A humble man who lived simply and cared passionately.

Vincenzo was happiest amongst family or serving clientele at his true joy, Vince Gasparro's Meats on Bloor Street. Having honed his skills as a butcher under the guidance of his father and grandfather, he immigrated to Toronto and set up shop on Bloor Street West in 1960. He quickly became a successful entrepreneur and proudly passed down the business to his two sons. Vincenzo was a model of generosity, being a supportive and loving father to Pasquale, Nicola and Lucia, cherished grandfather to Amanda, Martina, Mia and Ava, whom he adored.

After five decades on Bloor, the community will remember Vincenzo for his work ethic, kindness and sincere sense of community. He will be greatly missed by friends and family. Of his own life he said, "My hope is that I shall have done more good than bad for people."

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

March 31, 2015