

CONDOLENCE MOTION

Moved by: Mayor John Tory

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Pam McConnell

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council were deeply saddened to learn of the earthquake that occurred in Nepal on April 25, 2015. More than 7,000 residents and visitors have been reported dead, with many more injured and missing.

Torontonians and Canadians have joined the international community in their grief and sorrow as well as assisting in the rescue and rebuilding efforts. More than 2,000 Nepalese-Canadians reside in Toronto. While many families are experiencing their own personal tragedy as they await news about their loved-ones in Nepal, the community is strong in its resolve and providing supports to one another here in Toronto.

The federal government has pledged funds and support to the relief effort. Currently, the Disaster Assistance Response Team (DART) is in Nepal to assist in this regard. Canada is also matching individual donations that are made before May 25, 2015.

The Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) has a relationship with the Municipal Association of Nepal (MuAN) and with Canadian companies working in the municipal sector in Nepal. FCM has offered MuAN and all municipalities their full support in the recovery and rebuilding efforts.

In addition, FCM is encouraging its members who wish to donate to do so through the Canadian Red Cross Nepal Region Earthquake Fund.

The City Clerk is requested to convey, through the Consul General of Nepal in Toronto, and on behalf of the Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy to the people of Nepal.

May 5, 2015