Condolence Motion

Moved by:  Councillor Sarah Doucette
Seconded by:  Councillor Paula Fletcher

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened to share the passing of Eric Malcolm Diamond on October 7, 2015 at the age of 64.

Eric Diamond was a family man, artist, professor, nature lover and humourist. His childhood was spent with long-time friends from Etobicoke and Kipling Collegiate. A proud graduate of NSCAD (class of '75), he will be long remembered for his still life work displayed across North America, his trailblazing contributions to both the genesis of rhizome.org and the digital media community at large.

A professor beloved by both colleagues and by thousands of fine arts and I.T. students at Humber College for nearly 40 years, he taught true understanding over memorization. He lived life with an enduring passion, which he passed on to the Swansea community at Rennie Rink, the rec centre and Bloor West as a whole. The inspiring Ontario landscape gave him peace of mind and a doorway to creative possibilities. He was particularly fond of Belfountain and Toronto's High Park, which he enjoyed with his family and close friends whom he cherished deeply.

The City Clerk is requested to convey, on behalf of the Members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy to family and friends of Eric Diamond. He is survived by children Chris (Wendy), Erica, and Graeme (Jesslyn), grandchildren Audrey and Desmond, siblings Jan (Romy) and Pat (Gary), and niece Heather (Harry).

November 3, 2015