CONDOLENCE MOTION

Moved by:    Mayor John Tory
Seconded by: Councillor Frances Nunziata

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are saddened to learn of the passing of former Mayor, Councillor Robert Bruce Ford on March 22, 2016.

A lifelong Etobicoke resident, Councillor Ford learned the importance of community service and political involvement from his father, the late Doug Ford Sr., a former MPP for Etobicoke-Humber.

Councillor Ford was first elected to Toronto City Council on November 13, 2000, as Councillor for Ward 2, Etobicoke North. He quickly became known for his unique approach to public service.

After serving 10 years as Councillor, he won the 2010 municipal election and was sworn in as Toronto's 64th Mayor. In October 2014, former Mayor Ford was re-elected as Councillor for Ward 2.

Throughout his career, Councillor Ford would be known as the politician who personally responded to citizen phone calls, e-mails and house calls. He passionately fought for his convictions.

Councillor Ford's community involvement went well beyond politics. He was passionate about the game of football and founded the Newtonbrook North Stars football team in 1999. In 2002, Councillor Ford founded the highly successful football program at Don Bosco Catholic Secondary School. He also established the Rob Ford Football Foundation, a program that helps fund football programs in high schools across the city.

Councillor Ford will be greatly missed by his family, friends, colleagues and many whose lives he touched.

The City Clerk is requested to convey, on behalf of Members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy to Councillor Rob Ford's family.

March 31, 2016