

CONDOLENCE MOTION

Moved by: Councillor James Pasternak

Seconded by: Councillor Josh Matlow

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened by the passing of Florence Cooper on October 6, 2016.

Florence Cooper was born on August 25, 1922 in Harbin, China. Her family moved to Buffalo in 1924 to join relatives who had previously emigrated. After marrying Sydney Cooper in 1946, they moved to St. Catherines where they would live for three years before settling permanently in Toronto.

Florence and Sydney would be blessed with three children, ten grandchildren and seven great grandchildren. They celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary this year in May, a truly remarkable achievement.

Florence was a dedicated volunteer and generous donor – through the Sydney and Florence Cooper Foundation - to numerous worthy causes across Toronto and Canada. As true city builders, the Coopers support organizations in the arts, medicine and social services. Florence's dedication to such organizations as The United Way of Toronto, United Jewish Appeal, Canadian Opera Company, Mount Sinai Hospital, the Baycrest Centre Foundation has made and continues to make a transformative difference in local communities across Toronto and beyond. She was respected by everyone she helped for her unselfishness and supportive nature.

She will always be remembered and missed by her husband Sydney, family and friends.

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

November 8, 2016