

CONDOLENCE MOTION

Moved by: **Councillor Janet Davis**

Seconded by: **Councillor Shelley Carroll**

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Jae Blue on December 1, 2016 at the age of 69.

Jae died suddenly in Toronto in a tragic pedestrian collision. Beloved mother of Scott Campbell Blue (Kristin Rirchardson) and Bryan Carson Blue. Adored sister of Lynn Lewis (Dick), Terry Bisset (Bill) and Jim Easto (Nora Gillespie). Loving aunt to many nieces, nephews and their families and loved cousin to the Carter and Kidd families.

Jae was the daughter of Jim and Ruth Easto and attended Ryerson, Ontario Teachers College, and York University. She taught elementary school in East York for many years and later in Abu Dhabi. Her love of books and children combined as a school librarian and continued after retirement with her tutoring of young children. Jae was a lifelong lover of animals including her horse Bobby Pin and, later, Trooper, Blazer, Jonathan and Heidi. With artistic talent and love of nature, Jae started her own gardening business as the "Garden Tender". Every garden became more beautiful through her hard work and creativity. Jae's culinary talents were unsurpassed; no speck of any dessert she made was ever left. Many babies were cuddled in the warmth of crocheted blankets made for family, friends and charitable organizations. As a young woman, Jae's sense of adventure took her as far as Australia, Indonesia, and a solo journey on the Trans-Siberian Railway. As the proudest of parents, Jae shared the adventures of her sons in Yellowknife and Colombia, always bringing suitcases stocked with maple syrup and cookies to share with everyone she met.

Jae was a wise, warm and giving woman devoted to family and friends near and far. All will miss her enormously.

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

December 13, 2016