

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 Mary Elizabeth (Liz) Mannion on December 8, 2016 in her home surrounded by family.

Liz Mannion was born March 9, 1947 in Welshpool, Wales to parents Lester and Molly Jones. She moved to Canada with her husband and their first born, Kevin, in 1976.

Liz worked for the Borough of East York and then the amalgamated City of Toronto for over thirty years. She began her public service career in the City Clerk's Office and advanced to the position of Executive Assistant to the Mayor of East York, first for Dave Johnson and then Michael Prue. Liz continued to work for Michael Prue when he became a City Councillor in the new amalgamated City of Toronto, and then for Councillor Janet Davis.

Liz had a deep well of love and compassion, wedded with good old hard-nosed practicality. Her strong sense of justice motivated her to push above and beyond to solve problems for constituents. And she never stopped caring about making things better for others. Her sense of humour and infectious laugh will be missed by everyone.

A devoted wife, mother, grandmother, sister, sister-in-law, aunt, and friend, Liz made many sacrifices for her family and also gave to various charities in Canada and around the world. Liz enjoyed volunteering whether it was with the East York Garden Club during her retirement or at Dolphin Bingo with her dear friends Donna and Pam. Most of all she loved going on long walks in Taylor Creek Park with her husband and their dogs, playing board games and cards with her grandchildren, watching their sporting events, and traveling to California in the winter.

She leaves behind her brother Peter Jones (Linda) as well as her husband of 43 years, Tom, and her children Kevin Mannion (Voula), Katy Romero (Richard), and David Mannion. She was a devoted grandmother to Shea Romero (13), Liam Mannion (13), Isabel Romero (11), Michael Mannion (10), and James Mannion (7).

The City Clerk is requested to convey, on behalf of the Members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy to Mary Elizabeth (Liz) Mannion's family.

December 13, 2016