

CONDOLENCE MOTION

Moved by: Mayor John Tory

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Denzil Minnan-Wong

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Lionel Murray Sampson, beloved husband of Anna Kinastowski, former City Solicitor, on November 27, 2016.

Lionel Sampson had a long and proud history of service to his country. Lionel was a Corporal in the Canadian Army, serving with the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry in Edmonton and Winnipeg. As a member of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force, Lionel went to Cyprus twice and was awarded the Peacekeeping Medal. While stationed in Germany, Lionel was also awarded the Special Service Medal.

Back at home, Lionel continued his commitment to public service by joining the Metropolitan Toronto Police Service. He later became a firefighter with the Mississauga Fire Department. When a train derailed and caught fire on November 10, 1979, resulting in a cloud of poisonous chlorine, Lionel was among the first responders who answered the call. For Lionel's heroism and bravery in the Mississauga train derailment disaster, he received a citation from the Peel Regional Police.

Lionel had a wonderful and warm sense of humour. He loved to chat with friends and family and always had a story to tell. Many of Lionel's stories were about the travel adventures that he shared with the love of his life, his wife Anna. Lionel and Anna also shared great affection for their feline friends, Malcolm and Kitcha. Whether at home or abroad, wherever Lionel was, there was sure to be a cat perched nearby.

The City Clerk is requested to convey, on behalf of the Members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy to Lionel's wife Anna, and their family.

December 13, 2016