



CONDOLENCE MOTION

Moved by: **Councillor Michael Thompson**

Seconded by: **Mayor John Tory**

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are saddened to learn of the passing of Jeannette Aileen Foster-Gaskin, on March 21, 2019 at the age of 81.

Born in Georgetown, Guyana in 1937, Jeannette was a trained stenographer and secretary whose excellence at her profession earned her prestigious assignments in Guyana and Zambia including postings with the Chief Justice of Guyana in the Caribbean Court of Appeals, and in Zambia with Cabinet Ministers and the Senior Medical Superintendent at the University Teaching Hospital, among others. She immigrated to Canada in 1981, where she found employment with the Ontario government.

Jeannette will be remembered as an independent woman with a quick, inventive mind and fierce competitive streak who enjoyed motorcycling, music, dance, travel and adventure. An active contributor to her community, Jeannette was a devoted mother, sister, aunt, grandmother, great grandmother, great aunt, cousin and friend. Her passion for cooking and baking traditional Guyanese cuisine made her a legend among her friends and within the Caribbean community.

Jeannette is survived by her children Michael Foster, Errol, Debra, Ronald, Trevor Gaskin and her siblings Barrington, Valerie, Winston, Lynnette and Alan Foster.

The City Clerk is requested to convey, on behalf of the Members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy to Jeannette's family and countless friends.

April 16, 2019