CONDOLENCE MOTION

Moved by: Mayor John Tory
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Denzil Minnan-Wong

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council were deeply saddened to learn of the death of Hodan Nalayeh, a Somali-Canadian journalist killed in a terrorist attack in Somalia on July 12, 2019.

Ms. Nalayeh, who grew up in Canada, was in Somalia to highlight positive stories of her country of birth. She along with her husband and unborn child were among 26 people killed in a terrorist attack.

Ms. Nalayeh and her parents and sibling came to Canada in 1984, eventually settling in Toronto. She attended West Humber Collegiate Institute in Etobicoke and later studied at the University of Windsor and Seneca College. She built a tremendous legacy as a storyteller, journalist, social activist and entrepreneur. Her passion and dedication for sharing inspiring and uplifting stories of the Somali community from both inside Somalia and in the larger diaspora made her known as a community champion.

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

July 17, 2019