

CONDOLENCE MOTION

Moved by: Councillor Paula Fletcher

Seconded by: Councillor Mike Layton

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Emily McIntosh (nee Young) on August 21, 2020.

During her tenure as Constituency Assistant for MP Neil Young for Beaches Woodbine, she helped fellow community members cut through red tape that kept them from getting what they needed, from unemployment insurance to housing and immigration help. Emily was especially tenacious and helped hundreds get the benefits they were entitled to. Emily loved making a difference for people.

Emily was born in Glasgow, Scotland in 1921 and immigrated to Canada with her beloved husband Alex. They settled in Toronto to begin building their life by finding stable employment, housing, childcare and friends in a postwar environment of change, strikes, unemployment and homesickness.

Emily was dedicated to social justice and dreamed of electing a progressive government that took care of its people. She never wavered in her beliefs and efforts, working tirelessly in elections as long as she was able – even in her last years.

She deeply loved her grandchildren and helped raise them to understand the importance of social justice.

The City Clerk is requested to convey, on behalf of the members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy to her daughter Margaret, her grandchildren Krista and Thomas, and her great grandchildren Teyo and Toshi.

September 30, 2020