

## *Expression of Condolence for Henry Chu by Toronto City Council*

**Moved by:** Mayor John Tory

**Seconded by:** Councillor Jennifer McKelvie

The Mayor and Members of Council are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Henry Chu on April 16, 2021.

Henry was an admired and respected member of the Toronto Public Service. Henry started his career in Transportation Services in 1989 with Metropolitan Toronto and continued his long-standing and esteemed career in Transportation Services' Signs and Markings Shop, as both a Supervisor and Superintendent.

Henry was a constant and positive energy doing whatever was necessary to promote traffic and road safety within the City of Toronto. His guidance, support and direction to coworkers in delivering projects such as the City's cycling network and Vision Zero road safety, was crucial to the success of the projects. Henry was also a leader in delivering programs that supported transit mobility and seniors' safety.

Early on in the City's response to the first stages of the COVID pandemic, the Transportation Services Sign Shop was on the front lines, fabricating signs to alert Torontonians to the emerging guidance on physical distancing and best practices. Henry's enthusiasm and passion to get the job done fueled his team who delivered over 83,000 signs to support the City's efforts.

Henry was a good friend to many people and leaves a legacy that won't be forgotten by his colleagues who held him in great esteem.

Henry leaves behind his wife Eileen and two adult children Cynthia and Chris. Henry was a proud father, always taking the time to be there when they needed help, move them around the country, or simply get them to appointments. Henry also drove many thousands of kilometres a year to visit friends and family all over Canada, as his wife was not fond of flying.

The City Clerk is asked to convey, on behalf of Members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy to Eileen, Cynthia and Chris, as well as the many friends and colleagues whose lives Henry touched.

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