

***Expression of Condolence for
Nicholas Peter (Nick) Volpe by Toronto City Council***

Moved by: Mayor John Tory

Seconded by: Councillor Mark Grimes

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of former Toronto Argonauts' player, coach and scout Nicholas Peter (Nick) Volpe on August 21, 2021 at age 95.

Nick was one of the Argonauts' most beloved players, beginning his football career in 1949. He helped the team to Grey Cup titles in 1950 and 1952. In the famous Mud Bowl win in 1950, Nick kicked two field goals in the Argos' 13-0 win over the Winnipeg Blue Bombers at Varsity Stadium, leaving a legacy that is arguably unmatched in club history.

Nick's passion for the game led to his career as coach of the Argos' farm team, Toronto Balmy Beach leading the club to an ORFU championship in 1953. In the decades that followed Nick coached, scouted and could be heard on both TV and radio. Elected to the Toronto Athletic Hall of Fame, Nick was a true giant in the game. He emerged as an authoritative figure and a strong voice for fair play and fair pay of CFL players in the early 2000s and worked tirelessly as a scout finding new players for the team. Nick was a man of great compassion and influence in all aspects of life and will be remembered as one of football's greatest ambassadors and for the many lives he touched.

The City Clerk is asked to convey, on behalf of Members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy to Nick's wife Donna, his children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, extended family and friends.

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