Expression of Condolence for Amaresh Tesfamariam by Toronto City Council

Moved by: Mayor John Tory

Seconded by: Councillor John Filion

The Mayor and Members of Council are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Amaresh Tesfamariam on October 28, 2021.

Amaresh passed away as a result injuries sustained in the senseless Yonge Street van attack. She had spent the past three and a half years in the hospital due to injuries suffered in the tragic event.

Amaresh was a dedicated member of the Toronto Public Service, working as a nurse at Fudger House where she took care of our City's most vulnerable residents. We thank her for her service and dedication to her job.

Born in Ethiopia in 1956, Amaresh went on to become a teacher before moving to Canada. After arriving in Canada she returned to school to become a nurse. She spent her career working in long-term care.

Despite her injuries Amaresh remained positive throughout her ordeal with the support of her family, friends and her faith. Amaresh will be remembered by her siblings and her entire extended family, her friends and her colleagues.

The City Clerk is asked to convey, on behalf of Members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy to her family, friends, and colleagues and residents whose lives she touched. Amaresh will be greatly missed.

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