

***Expression of Condolence for Grant Duff
by Toronto City Council***

Moved by: Councillor Mike Colle

Seconded by: Councillor Jaye Robinson

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Grant Duff on March 22, 2022 at the age of 95.

Grant was born in Cochrane, Ontario, and grew up in northern Ontario and Toronto, where he attended Jarvis Collegiate. He studied engineering at the University of Toronto and later went on to work as an urban developer.

Grant was dedicated to helping others throughout his life. He was a founder and a lifelong advocate for Fighting Blindness Canada, leading the way in innovative vision research and education. Grant's optimism and leadership from the start helped guide Fighting Blindness Canada to where it is today as a leader in the fight against blindness. Grant was honoured by Fighting Blindness Canada with the prestigious "Founder's Award" which celebrated decades of his great dedication and contributions.

Grant was active throughout this life and well into his later years. When he was not travelling the world, he spent much of his time in Muskoka, Stouffville, and Florida. Grant enjoyed sailing at the Royal Canadian Yacht Club in Toronto, skiing at Alpine Ski Club in Collingwood, playing tennis at the Granite Club in Toronto and golf at Granite Golf in Stouffville and the Classics in Naples, and he also took up windsurfing in his 60's.

Grant always proved unstoppable as he pursued his passions and championed numerous causes all while bravely fighting cancer. Grant's energy and passion to make positive change in the world are evident through all of the lives that he touched and he is remembered as an exemplary model of what it means to be active in one's local community.

The City Clerk is requested to convey, on behalf of the Members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy to Grant's family.

April 6, 2022