Expression of Condolence for John Andrew McKee by Toronto City Council

Moved by: Councillor Mike Colle

Seconded by: Councillor Anthony Perruzza

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of John Andrew McKee on March 3, 2022.

Andrew worked throughout his life on many business ventures and served as a senior officer and director of several public, private, and not-for-profit corporations. After graduating from Upper Canada College, he received his Executive MBA from the University of Edinburgh. Andrew went on to co-found 5514Km Corporation, a children's gear distribution business.

Andrew championed numerous causes and always believed in giving back to others through volunteer service which was evident throughout his life. He first started out as a board member and later served as Past President and Chief Executive Officer of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, a global organization undertaking type 1 diabetes research. In his leading role at Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, he was integral to the creation of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation Canadian Clinical Trial Network and advancing research across Canada and around the world. Additionally, Andrew served as the Chair and a Director of the Stem Cell Network, where he played a significant role in developing Stem Cell Network's future. Andrew was the former Chair, Past President, and Director of the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair and also became a Lieutenant Governor-in-Council appointee on Ryerson University's Board of Governors. Andrew was a mentor to many who looked to him for his sound advice and guidance.

Wherever his travels took him, Andrew made friends across the globe through his warm character and kind and generous spirit. He always appreciated a good joke and in his spare time he enjoyed playing hockey, tennis, and golf.

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