

***Expression of Condolence for  
Dr. Joseph Leventhal by Toronto City Council***

**Moved by: Councillor Mike Colle**

**Seconded by: Councillor Josh Matlow**

The Mayor and Member of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Dr. Joseph Leventhal ("Joey") on February 4, 2023, at the age of 102.

Joey was a superhero who helped everyone he met along the way. Growing up in Toronto on Euclid Avenue, he was passionate about medicine and always helping others. Joey joined the Canadian Air Force and enrolled into medical school, as only one Jewish student was allowed per year. A 1950 University of Toronto Doctor of Medicine graduate, Joey served his country in World War II with the Royal Canadian Air Force. He also served as a navigator on bombers chasing Nazis submarines up the St. Lawrence.

After internships at Toronto's General Hospital and Hospital for Sick Children, he went into practice in Windsor, Ontario. He was chairman of the College of Family Physicians of Canada's 1968 convention in Mexico and initiated the first of the College's Clinical Days to be held in Toronto. He worked at Toronto's Northwestern and North York hospitals, working in medicine throughout his lifetime and well into his 9th decade.

Joey was also a talented artist, winning awards for his paintings and sculptures, and his great sense of humour brightened every room. Always with a smile, Joey will be remembered for his generosity, his work ethic, and his readiness to help anyone in need. His passion to make positive change in the world is evident through all of the lives that he touched.

Joey was the loving husband of the late Rita Leventhal and loving father and father-in-law of Ian and Renee Leventhal, and Susan Leventhal and Max Rittner. Joey was a devoted grandfather and great-grandfather and he will be deeply missed by all of his family and friends.

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

February 7, 2023