

Expression of Condolence for Bruce Sinclair by Toronto City Council

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Jennifer McKelvie

Seconded by: Councillor Stephen Holyday

The Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Bruce Sinclair, the 3rd Mayor of Etobicoke, who passed away on March 24, 2023, at the age of 94.

Bruce Sinclair served the residents of Etobicoke for over 30 years and in many capacities: as Mayor, Controller, and Alderman. He will be remembered for his longstanding service to the community in a public service career that spanned decades. He oversaw incredible changes in the region that included Etobicoke's transformation from a borough to a city and eventual incorporation into the City of Toronto following amalgamation.

In 1984, Etobicoke Council appointed Bruce Sinclair as Mayor to fill a vacancy. After completing his first term and following his appointment, he was elected for an additional three consecutive terms, ultimately serving as Mayor from 1984 to 1994. Prior to his appointment, he was first elected to Etobicoke Council in 1969 as an Alderman, where he represented Ward 3 from 1970 until 1972. He was later elected to Etobicoke's Board of Control in 1972, serving from 1973 to 1984. Upon his election as a Controller, he also joined Metro Toronto Council, where he served from 1973 until the end of his final term as Mayor in 1994. Following amalgamation, he was elected to Toronto City Council, representing Ward 5 – Rexdale Thistletown, from 1998 to 2000.

The City Clerk is asked to convey, on behalf of Members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy and deepest condolences to his wife, Elizabeth; his children, Colin, Marian, and John and their families, including his grand and great-grandchildren, as well as the residents of Etobicoke and all those whose lives he impacted.

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