

## ***Expression of Condolence for Robert Kemp by Toronto City Council***

**Moved by: Councillor Amber Morley**

**Seconded by: Councillor Asuma Malik**

The Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Robert “Bob” Kemp on May 29, 2023.

The “unofficial mayor of St. Lawrence Market,” Bob worked to organize toy and food bank drives, assisted with street festivals, and helped keep the neighbourhood safe and beautiful.

Bob was also deeply compassionate, assisting low-income residents who were in need by employing them to help water plants and hang holiday lights for the St. Lawrence Market Neighbourhood Business Improvement Area, as he was their streetscape coordinator.

Bob's volunteerism was so prolific, an annual “Bob Kemp Day” became a regular fixture in David Crombie Park, with a parade and barbecue for kids and adults alike.

Bob leaves a legacy of volunteerism and community activism that cements him as one of the greatest mayors—elected or not—to ever serve the St. Lawrence Neighbourhood.

The City Clerk is requested to convey, on behalf of the Members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy to Bob’s wife of 47 years, Coreen their children Corrina and Melanie, grandchildren Penelope, Madison, Reese and Logan, family, and friends.

June 15, 2023