

***Expression of Condolence for  
William (Bill) Forster by Toronto City Council***

**Moved by: Councillor Paula Fletcher**

**Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Ausma Malik**

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of William (Bill) Forster on September 20, 2023.

Bill lived in Riverdale for most of his adult life, first at the Riverdale Coop on Broadview and then as a resident of Jackman Avenue where he raised his family. Bill became an integral part of the community as a volunteer with Riverdale Share and the Out of the Cold Foundation.

After dedicating 30 years of his life to working on the railroad, Bill decided to follow other interests. He built a house entirely by himself, started a business, invented, volunteered, travelled, and was the sole caregiver to many family members. Bill was known to lend a hand with a home repair, to give a ride to the doctor, and would always happily offer support to those around him.

Bill had many interests and talents. He had a passion for making music, playing the guitar, writing songs and banging away on his basement drum kit. He also enjoyed playing hockey and was a dedicated Leafs fan.

Bill was a devoted husband to Josephine, a caring father to daughters Nicola and Sophia, and a valued friend to so many. He will be deeply missed.

The City Clerk is requested to convey, on behalf of the Members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy to Bill Forster's loved ones.

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