

***Expression of Condolence for
Donna Liczyk by Toronto City Council***

Moved by: Councillor Alejandra Bravo

Seconded by: Councillor Jaye Robinson

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Donna Liczyk on September 10, 2023, at the age of 55.

Donna was a passionate public servant who contributed 33 years of service to the city she loved. Donna started her public service career with the former City of North York in 1990. At the time of amalgamation, she joined the Toronto Special Events team at City Hall where she helped to build and grow some of Toronto's most beloved events - from the Celebrate Toronto Street Festival and Moose in the City to Nuit Blanche and Winter/Summerlicious.

Donna further demonstrated her commitment to serving the people of Toronto during some of the darkest days of the pandemic, when she was among the first staff to accept redeployment duties to support residents in Long Term Care at Kipling Acres.

Throughout her career, Donna faithfully tuned into Council sessions to follow major City issues and loved a good policy debate, both on and off the Council floor. When Donna wasn't at City Hall, she was often in a yoga studio where she learned to do a head stand in her 40s and ultimately became a licensed yoga instructor in 2013 so she could share her love of the practice with others.

Donna will be greatly missed by her colleagues and friends who knew her for her boundless energy, infectious laughter and big hugs. She will be most deeply missed by her sisters Wanda and Joanna who spent the last year caring for Donna as she underwent cancer treatment.

The City Clerk is requested to convey, on behalf of the Members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy to Donna's sisters, Wanda Morvay and Joanna Liczyk, and the many family, friends and colleagues whose lives she touched.

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