

Expression of Condolence for Alan Redway by Toronto City Council

Moved by: Mayor Olivia Chow

**Seconded by: Councillor Brad Bradford,
Councillor Paula Fletcher, and
Councillor Jaye Robinson**

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of the Honourable Alan Redway, PC, KC – fourth Mayor of the Borough of East York and former Member of Parliament who passed away on January 4, 2024, surrounded by family, at the age of 88.

A lifelong East Yorker, Alan dedicated his career to serving the residents of East York, in elected office and as a community advocate. He was elected as an Alderman, representing the Leaside neighbourhood from 1972 to 1976. He later became Mayor of East York, serving three consecutive terms from 1977 to 1982.

Alan was a tireless champion for the area and its residents, even establishing the borough's very own flag. As mayor, he hosted a civic competition to design the East York flag. The flag helped to symbolically unify residents in the area and remains an important symbol that is still displayed throughout the area.

Following his time as mayor, Alan was elected as a Member of Parliament, representing the riding of York East from 1984 to 1988, and later representing the riding of Don Valley East from 1988 to 1993. While in office, he served as Minister of State (Housing) under Prime Minister Brian Mulroney from 1989 to 1991. He was instrumental in overseeing the building of housing in Toronto from 1989-1993. This work continues to benefit the residents of Toronto today.

Alan remained devoted to East York and active in the community even after retiring from public life. He served on many community organizations, including on the Board of Directors for Flemingdon Community Legal Services and was Chair of the Daily Bread Food Bank. He also served on the East York Foundation, the East York Hall of Fame and was a founding member of the East York Historical Society. In his later life, Alan also became a published author who wrote about East York and Toronto as a whole.

Alan received the Agnes Macphail Award in 2013 in acknowledgement of his dedication to the residents of East York and for his outstanding contributions to the community. In

2023, he was inducted into the East York Hall of Fame. He will be remembered for his leadership, dedication, and lifelong service to the Borough of East York and its residents.

The City Clerk is requested to convey, on behalf of the Members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy to Alan's wife, Louise; his children, Andrea, and Kim; his grandchildren, Thomson, and Sydney; to the residents of East York, and to all those he impacted throughout his life.

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