

***Expression of Condolence for
Susan Serran by Toronto City Council***

Moved by: Councillor Paula Fletcher

Seconded by: Mayor Olivia Chow

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Susan Serran who, for more than a decade, worked as a Executive Assistant to Councillor Paula Fletcher.

Prior to her tenure at City Hall, Susan worked at Theatre Direct, the Bathurst Street Theatre, and Theatre Passe Muraille. She also became the Director of Community Development at Artscape, where her projects included the creation of Gibraltar Point Arts Centre and the popular Wychwood Barns.

Susan was known as being someone who could get to the heart of an issue and was relied on by City staff and residents for her advice and level head when dealing with difficult issues. Susan had a strong dedication to advocating for residents of Toronto-Danforth.

During her time at the City, Susan was a key force behind the saving of the Red Door Shelter and securing its permanent home, establishing Crow's Theatre at Carlaw and Dundas, driving new affordable housing, along with countless major park improvements. These accomplishments only scratch the surface of all that Susan achieved.

Susan's legacy will remain strong in Toronto–Danforth through her many contributions that will live on in the community.

Susan is survived by her brothers, Larry (Cathy), William (Laurie) and Christopher (Kristin) along with nieces and nephews, Geris, Jamie (Hannah), Jade (Kris), Jessica, Ian (Angie), Trevor (Jenna), Tommy (Natasha), Sean (Kathryn), Carling (Charlotte) and Malcolm (Lauryn). She is also survived by many great nieces and nephews, and countless friends and colleagues who will miss her wise counsel, sense of fun, and kind heart.

The City Clerk is requested to convey, on behalf of the Members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy to Susan Serran's family and her many friends and colleagues.

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