

***Expression of Condolence for
Alan Shore by Toronto City Council***

Moved by: Councillor James Pasternak

Seconded by: Councillor Mike Colle

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Alan (Al) Shore on Thursday, December 21, 2023, in Toronto, Ontario, at the age of 93.

Al was born in Toronto on February 14, 1930, and grew up in the Trinity-Bellwoods Park neighbourhood. He studied languages at the University of Toronto and went on to become a career educator, teaching Latin, German, and primarily French to thousands of students over many years in several jurisdictions. Often, Al's former students would lovingly recall their lessons with "Monsieur Shore."

The observance and preservation of his Jewish identity was of utmost importance to Al, a value that he transmitted to his family. He was committed to attending services regularly at Shaarei Tefillah synagogue. Al's home with his loving wife, Sheila, was always filled with family and friends during the Jewish High Holidays. With strength of character and principled confidence, he consistently fought to ensure that his employers would provide him with time off to practice his faith.

Al was a kind and gentle soul who was always ready with a smile and a story to make you laugh. He never grew old, but simply obtained "advanced youth." He carried himself as a gentleman with dignity, taking care to show sincere recognition and gratitude to all those who helped him, and to listen carefully and provide guidance when others sought wisdom and comfort.

The City Clerk is requested to convey, on behalf of the Members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy to the family and friends of Alan Shore.

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