

Expression of Condolence for Corrado Paina by Toronto City Council

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Ausma Malik

Seconded by: Mayor Olivia Chow

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Corrado Paina – Executive Director of the Italian Chamber of Commerce of Ontario Canada.

Mr. Paina called both Canada and Italy his home, devoting much of his career to strengthening the relationships between the two countries at the local and national level. He is noted for his leadership within the Italian Canadian community as the long-time Executive Director for the Italian Chamber of Commerce of Ontario Canada, where he was instrumental in promoting cross-cultural connections and business ties between Italy and Canada.

Mr. Paina was awarded the City of Milan's "Menzione civica – Ambrogino d'oro," for his involvement in establishing a formal relationship between the City of Toronto and the City of Milan. He was appointed a Knight of the Order of the Star of Italy for his work in promoting the business and trade relationships between Italy and Canada.

Mr. Paina was more than a business leader, who will also be remembered as a talented poet and artist. He leaves behind a legacy as a strong advocate for the Italian Canadian community, particularly in Toronto.

The City Clerk is requested to convey, on behalf of Members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy and deepest condolences to all those whose lives Corrado Paina touched through his work.

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