

***Expression of Condolence for Brian Coles
by Toronto City Council***

Moved by: Mayor Olivia Chow

Seconded by: Councillor Alejandra Bravo

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Brian Coles, retired Acting District Chief with Toronto Fire Services, who passed away following a battle with cancer, on February 12, 2025, at the age of 79.

Brian joined Toronto Fire Services in 1966 and eventually became the Acting District Chief. He retired in 1997 after 31 years of dedicated service.

Brian leaves behind a legacy as someone who was dedicated to keeping Toronto communities and residents safe.

Tragically, Brian's passing comes several months after the loss of his son Sean, a Captain with Toronto Fire Services, who also succumbed to cancer.

The City Clerk is requested to convey, on behalf of the Members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy to Brian's wife, Betty, his daughter Amanda and her family, his brother Glenn and all those whose lives he touched.

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