

***Expression of Condolence for Jahvai Roy
by Toronto City Council***

Moved by: Mayor Olivia Chow

Seconded by: Councillor Frances Nunziata

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened to learn about the tragic death of Jahvai Roy, who passed away after being struck by a stray bullet on August 16, 2025. Jahvai was only 8 years old at the time of his passing.

Jahvai will be remembered as kind and loving, with an adventurous spirit. He loved animals and his Manitoulin Island home, where he felt connected to his Indigenous heritage and culture.

Jahvai was a passionate child, who, at a very young age, used his voice to spread kindness and messages of hope. At only six years old, Jahvai was featured in an anti-bullying video, where he urged people to “be nice”. He was also known for his interest and desire in joining youth programs in the future.

Jahvai will be remembered as someone who brought great joy to those around him. His loss will be keenly felt by all those who knew him including his family, friends and his community.

The City Clerk is requested to convey, on behalf of the Members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy to Jahvai Roy’s mother, Holly; his father, James; his siblings, Diondre and Khadijah and his grandparents, Vivian and Albert and all those whose lives he touched.

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