
From: Diana T [REDACTED]
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To the Honourable Mayor Bevilacqua and Members of Council,

Although we are still heavily grieving the loss of my husband and father to our two children, I wanted to reach out to share a few words with you all. As you might imagine, finding the right words at such a time can be difficult, however the thought of Martin's positive attitude and work ethic helped me to write this.

I would like to first and foremost thank you for considering the idea of naming a park in Martin's memory. It is a wonderful way to keep his legacy alive and honour the hard work and dedication he had for his job in the beautiful City of Vaughan. We would often take our children to various parks in Vaughan because the kids would always say the parks there were 'a lot more fun' than in any other city - and Martin did agree.

Martin loved to be outdoors and to contribute to the creation of beautiful outdoor spaces where families could gather and make memories of their own. The naming of one of these parks in memory of Martin is very meaningful to me and our entire family and I know it would mean a lot to Martin as it would be another way that we could all connect to his spirit.

In closing, I thank you all from the bottom of my heart, for the kindness you have shown to Martin and our family through his painful journey with cancer. Your thoughtfulness will always be remembered.

With sincere gratitude,

Diana, Julia and Jeremy Tavares