CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 24, 2023

Item 1, Report No. 2, of the Committee of the Whole (Closed Session), which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on January 24, 2023, as follows, and the confidential recommendations made public upon Council ratification:

1. WARD 4 CIVIC HERO AWARD FOR 2023

The Committee of the Whole (Closed Session) recommends:

1) That the resolution of Councillor Ainsworth, dated January 17, 2023, be approved.

Member's Resolution

Submitted by Councillor Chris Ainsworth

Whereas, City of Vaughan Council has established the Civic Hero Award as a means of honouring citizens who have taken exemplary action in carrying out their responsibility as a citizen under the City of Vaughan Declaration of Citizens' Rights and Responsibilities; and

Whereas, the Civic Hero Award has been established such that each Ward Councillor has the authority to execute one nomination in their respective ward per year; and

Whereas, Dave Elfassy is a Ward 4 resident that exemplifies leadership, volunteerism and civic stewardship through the work he undertakes in the community; and

Whereas, Dave Elfassy has volunteered at the Vaughan Food Bank for the past six years, helping to provide food and toys for those in need, supporting both local businesses and families in the community; and

Whereas, Dave Elfassy has helped raise funds for the Sick Kids Foundation for over six years by supporting the Thornhill Woods Haunted House event through donations of treats, gift cards, clothing and tickets; and

Whereas, Dave Elfassy participates in regular community cleanups of his neighbourhood and the surrounding areas; and

Whereas, for two consecutive years, Dave Elfassy has helped organize a community triathlon event for children and families, in partnership with the Schwartz Reisman Centre, in order to promote physical activity and a positive attitude towards exercise.

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It is therefore recommended:

- 1. That Dave Elfassy be named Ward 4 Civic Hero for 2023; and
- 2. That the award be presented at a future Committee of the Whole, Committee of the Whole (Public Hearing) or Council meeting, at a date to be arranged by appropriate staff in consultation with the award recipient.