

MEMBER'S RESOLUTION

Committee of the Whole (1)

DATE: Tuesday, February 07, 2023

TITLE: CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF THE HONOURABLE DAVID C. ONLEY

FROM:

Mayor Steven Del Duca

Whereas, the Honourable David C. Onley was a celebrated journalist, public figure and champion for accessibility who died on Jan. 14, 2023, at the age of 72; and,

Whereas, from 2007 to 2014, he served, with distinction, as Ontario's 28th lieutenant-governor; and,

Whereas, his exceptional skills as a communicator made him a leading and trusted advocate on disability issues who worked tirelessly to make Ontario a more welcoming and accessible province for all; and,

Whereas, even after he left office, he continued to serve Ontarians, conducting an exhaustive review of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act for the provincial government; and,

Whereas, his life's work was recognized with investiture into the Order of Canada in 2017.

It is therefore recommended:

1. THAT City staff be directed to undertake the renaming of City Hall's accessibility ramp in honour of David C. Onley; and

2. THAT a plaque be installed to identify the ramp as the Honourable David C. Onley Accessibility Gateway; and,
3. THAT expenditures associated with the renaming be incurred by the Corporation of the City of Vaughan; and,
3. THAT a future City-led event be held to mark the unveiling of the plaque; and,
4. THAT this Member's Resolution be fully endorsed during the Tuesday, Feb. 7, 2023, Committee of the Whole (1) meeting; and,
5. THAT this decision be ratified by Council.