

CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 22, 2023

Item 11, Report No. 7, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on February 22, 2023.

11. CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF THE HONOURABLE DAVID C. ONLEY

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendations contained in the resolution of Mayor Steven Del Duca, dated February 7, 2023.

Member's Resolution

Submitted by Mayor Del Duca

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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:

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4. THAT a future City-led event be held to mark the unveiling of the plaque;
5. THAT this Member's Resolution be fully endorsed during the Tuesday, 7, 2023, Committee of the Whole (1) meeting; and
4. THAT this decision be ratified by Council.

MEMBER'S RESOLUTION

Committee of the Whole (1)

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