CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 19, 2019

Item 1, Report No. 37, of the Committee of the Whole (Closed Session), which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on November 19, 2019, and the confidential recommendations made public.

1. <u>CIVIC HERO AWARD – WARD 3</u>

The Committee of the Whole (Closed Session) recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following resolution of Councillor DeFrancesca, dated November 12, 2019:

Member's Resolution

Submitted by Councillor DeFrancesca

Whereas, City of Vaughan Council established the Civic Hero Award as a way to honour residents who have taken extraordinary action to create a better community and who act as inspirations for civic engagement; and

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

Whereas, Mr. Aldo Di Cristofaro, has been a resident of Canada since 1965. Aldo, President of Valle Peligna Socio-Cultural Association, has also been a strong voice in advancing the senior's agenda in Ward 3 as well across the City of Vaughan.

Whereas, Mr. Aldo Di Cristofaro is a long-standing resident of Ward 3, along with his wife Celsa. Aldo and Celsa have raised 3 daughters, Isabella, Antonella and Cristina and are proud grandparents of 6 grandchildren. Mr. Aldo Di Cristofaro and Celsa, in honour of their 50th Wedding Anniversary have generously donated \$50,000 to the Mackenzie Health Hospital Foundation. They hope to encourage and inspire others to follow their act of generosity and donate to the Mackenzie Health Hospital Foundation. Aldo also works tirelessly to maintain strong cultural and economic ties to Abruzzo, Italy.

It is therefore recommended:

- That Mr. Aldo Di Cristofaro, be named the 2019 Civic Hero for Ward 3, and;
- 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 honouree.