

**CITY OF VAUGHAN**

**EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 10, 2013**

Item 31, Report No. 52, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted, as amended, by the Council of the City of Vaughan on December 10, 2013, as follows:

***By approving the following:***

***That the recommendation contained in the resolution of Councillor Carella, dated November 26, 2013, be approved.***

**31            OBSERVANCE OF AUGUST CIVIC HOLIDAY AS BENJAMIN VAUGHAN DAY**

The Committee of the Whole recommends that consideration of this matter be deferred to the Council meeting of December 10, 2013.

**Member's Resolution**

Submitted by Councillor Tony Carella

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## MEMBER'S RESOLUTION

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Respectfully submitted,

Tony Carella, FRSA  
Councillor – Ward 2/Woodbridge West