

July 30, 2013

Major Richard Gratton, CD
Chair, Heroes Committee
331 Preston Drive
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Dear Major Gratton

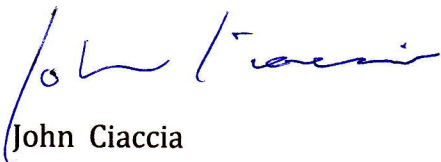
I would like to take the opportunity to thank you for calling my attention to your "Heroes Park" project for our city. I have been a citizen of Beaconsfield for more than 40 years and you are right, on the eve of the 100th anniversary of WW I we must remember their sacrifice in this city.

I commend you for your initiative as well as the members of your committee. As I have served the public all through my career, being at the provincial and federal level, I am also pleased to hear that the memorial will honour so many Canadians who have dedicated their lives in protecting the public ; namely, police officers, firefighters and first responders as well as the military.

There is a moral authority for me in remembering those who served and sacrificed in the service to the public and the nation. Remembrance promotes community engagement in this great country of ours.

Once again, I commend and congratulate you on this inspired initiative. Please rest assured of my support and do not hesitate to call on me for assistance.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John Ciaccia". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "John" being more prominent than the last name "Ciaccia".

John Ciaccia

Citizen of Beaconsfield