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FLAGS AT TOWN FACILITIES FLYING AT HALF-MAST IN MEMORY OF VICTIMS OF TEHRAN PLANE CRASH

Stouffville family of three amongst those who perished

WHITCHURCH-STOUFFVILLE, ON – Flags at Town facilities have been lowered to half-mast in honour of the 176 people, including 63 Canadians, who lost their lives when their January 8th flight crashed shortly after takeoff in Tehran, Iran.

“It is with great sadness that the Town has learned that Stouffville residents, Dr. Razgar Rahimi, a sessional instructor with the Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science at Ontario Tech, along with his wife, Farideh Gholami, and their three-year-old son Jiwan died on Ukraine International Airlines flight PS752”, said Mayor Iain Lovatt.

“Our hearts are broken for their extended family and their friends in Stouffville and we offer our sincere condolences. Council has directed that our flags be lowered to half-mast in honour of their memory and the 60 other Canadians who lost their lives in this tragedy.”

Flags will fly at half-mast until further notice.

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