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Council Mourns Passing of Member Barbara Daly-Danko

Council today greatly mourns the loss of one of its own, District 11 Council Member Barbara Daly-Danko. Council Member Danko's family announced last night that she had passed away from a cancer-related illness in her Regent Square home, surrounded by family. She was 61.

Council Member Danko dedicated many years of her life to serving the public at local, state, and federal levels. A born leader, her commitment and allegiance to the constituents of her district was unparalleled. She was known for her "stick to your guns" attitude, as well as her honest and thoughtful commentary on County issues. Danko remains a great role model for women in government and leadership positions. In the office, she was a warm, kind, and extremely intelligent woman who didn't easily back down. She always treated Council members and staff with respect, and was quick with a smile or story about one of her four children, whom she spoke about often.

"Both Council and our community as a whole have suffered a great loss from Barbara's passing," Council President John DeFazio stated. "Her wealth of knowledge and experience was extremely valuable to the Council, as was her unique understanding of government issues. She was a wonderful person."

All Council members stated jointly, "We will all feel the impact of her absence at the table. Barbara was not only an engaged member of Council, but an especially loving person, wife, and mother. She will be greatly missed."

Danko is survived by her husband, George, and their four children, Michael, Elizabeth, Steven, and Joseph. Funeral arrangements are not yet complete.

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