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Remembering a leader

Community pays tribute to Jack Layton

Canadians are still in shock about the sudden passing of NDP leader Jack Layton. He lost his battle with cancer last Monday and memories and tributes to Layton have been shared all week.

Layton is being remembered as a true leader, someone who stuck up for the rights of Canadians and proved you can fight and overcome to make a difference. It has many Canadians – both NDP supporters and not – coming together to share their thoughts.

Former Winnipeg North MP Judy Wasylycia-Leis worked with Layton for 10 years in Ottawa and has fond memories of her former colleague.

The West K Shopper reached out to Wasylycia-Leis, who is in Jordan working with local MPs on a legislative

strengthening program under the auspices of the National Democratic Institute, and she shared some thoughts about Layton.

"I thought this was just another battle that Jack would fight and win," said Wasylycia-Leis. "Jack's passing is a terrible loss for our country but his example of fighting for a Canada where no one is left behind and of keeping politics on the level of ideas and not personal attacks will live on forever."

Wasylycia-Leis described Layton as a kind person who inspired her to constantly strive for the best.

"It is said that great lead-

ers are those who mobilize others to serve a purpose," said Wasylycia-Leis. "That's exactly what Jack did: he encouraged people like me to think outside the box, to recognize the strengths in others, and to keep working to build a better world. It was my good fortune to have worked with Jack and to have been touched by his fighting spirit and endless optimism."

Kildonan-St. Paul MP Joy Smith said, "I have been honoured to serve in Parliament with Jack who I found to be kind, cheerful and most of all passionately committed to making Canada better. Jack became a source of inspiration

and hope for countless Canadians also fighting cancer. I will be forever grateful for his friendship and for his contributions to our nation. My husband and I offer our sincerest condolences to Jack's wife Olivia and Jack's family and friends."



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