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CROWN COUNCIL ISSUES CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF THE DUCHESS OF KENT

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Prince Ermias Sahle-Selassie Haile-Selassie, on behalf of the Crown Council of Ethiopia, offers his sincere condolences to His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent and to all those touched by the death of Her Royal Highness Katharine, the Duchess of Kent, late last week.

Thrown Council of Ethiopia recognizes the Duchess of Kent's lifelong dedication to the causes of child welfare and education. Her deep love of music manifested itself at both the personal and the professional level. From her talent with instruments and her performance in choir to her lifelong support for many musical organizations and her career as a music teacher, Her Highness's life reminds us of the power of the arts and the power of education to enrich our lives.



In this time of mourning, Prince Ermias notes that the Duchess of Kent was the oldest member of the British royal family, and invites the people of Ethiopia and of the United Kingdom to use this occasion to remember the long ties which exist between the Ethiopian royal family and the British royal family, and between their two nations, staunch allies in World War II in the global struggle against fascism.

May the Duchess of Kent rest in peace.