

MEDIA RELEASE

DOUG TARRY TO BE ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE ONTARIO HOME BUILDERS' ASSOCIATION

Toronto, September 19, 2011...**Doug Tarry** will be elected President of the Ontario Home Builders' Association (OHBA) for 2011 - 2012 at the organization's Annual Meeting of Members to be held on September 22, 2011 in Toronto.

Doug most recently served on OHBA's Executive Committee as 1st Vice-President and has participated on numerous OHBA committees. He has served as a member of the Ontario Building Code Energy Advisory Council (M.M.A.H.), on OHBA's Accessible Housing Council and with the Industry Canada Technology Roadmap Committee on Sustainable Housing. Doug is a past president of the St. Thomas Home Builder's Association and is chair of the local's Technical Committee. Also very active in his home community, Doug has served as a director with the St. Thomas Chamber of Commerce, and as committed hockey fan has served as a Governor of both the United Hockey League and the Ontario Hockey League.

Doug is the Director of Marketing and Lead Designer with Doug Tarry Homes, a family-owned, St. Thomas-based business started by his father Doug Sr. that is now jointly run by Doug Jr. and his siblings, Kathy, Bill and Greg and mother Frances.

As a second generation EnergyStar Builder, Doug is also a National Award Winning BCIN Qualified Home Designer trained in HOT 2000 Energy Modeling. In addition, Doug was the Team Leader for Natural Resources Canada's Solar Ready Pilot Project in 2007-2008.

Prior to his home building career, Doug trained and worked across Canada as a professional chef. He and his wife Carolyne enjoy hosting dinner parties for friends and family including his daughter Sarah, especially in the summer months in his outdoor kitchen.

The Ontario Home Builders' Association is the voice of the residential construction and professional renovation industry in Ontario representing 4,000 member companies organized into 29 local associations across the province. The industry contributes over \$34 billion dollars to Ontario's economy, employing over 334,000 people across the province. Our members build 80% of the new housing in Ontario.

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