

Ontario Home Builders' Association

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RICK MARTINS TO BE ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE ONTARIO HOME BUILDERS' ASSOCIATION

(Toronto) September 18, 2018 Rick Martins will be elected President of the Ontario Home Builders' Association (OHBA) for 2018-2019 at the association's Annual Meeting of Members being held Monday, September 24, 2018 at the Westin Ottawa during the OHBA annual conference. Rick most recently served as the association's 1st Vice President and has been a member of the Executive Committee since 2013 serving both as a presidential appointee and 2nd Vice President.

A long-time, active leader in Ontario's building community, Rick also served as President of the Brantford Home Builders' Association in 2011.

Celebrating almost 20 years of working in the residential construction industry, Rick is currently Vice President of Kitchener-based Huron Creek Developments where he is responsible for all aspects of the new home start-up operations. Previously Rick was Vice President of Eastforest Homes Group of Companies, an award-winning company he joined after graduating from Brock University with an honours degree in Physical Education.

In his upcoming term, Rick will continue to champion the #homebeliever message to support the great Canadian dream of home ownership by increasing housing choice and supply. Increasing housing choice and supply is the key solution to addressing the housing crunch that so many Ontarians face. Working with the new government, Rick also looks forward to advocating for reducing red tape, streamlining the approvals process, and strengthening the skilled trades and apprenticeship opportunities. He also takes a constructive approach to representing the building, development and professional renovation industry amidst a changing landscape, such as moving forward with Tarion Warranty Corporation, among other policy priorities.

<u>About OHBA</u>: As #homebeliever champions, the Ontario Home Builders' Association (OHBA) believes in the great Canadian dream of home ownership by supporting more housing choice and supply across Ontario. OHBA is the voice of the residential construction industry in Ontario, representing 4,000 member companies organized into 29 local associations across the province.

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