

OHBA APPOINTS INTERIM CEO TO ENSURE CONTINUITY

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The Ontario Home Builders' Association (OHBA) is pleased to announce the appointment of Neil Rodgers as interim CEO. The decision was approved by the OHBA Board of Directors, with President Dave Depencier emphasizing the importance of this appointment, stating, "The need for this hire is to ensure continuity in OHBA's operations and in fulfilling our mission to represent and advocate for the interests of Ontario's home building industry.

Neil Rodgers brings a wealth of experience and qualifications to his role as interim CEO. Neil holds a degree from the University of Waterloo, School of Urban Planning, and boasts over 35 years of land use planning and development industry expertise. With more than 20 years of experience and a strong track record of volunteerism with the industry association sector, Neil is well prepared to lead OHBA during this transition period.

Notably, Neil served as President of UDI/Ontario for several years, where he successfully led the merger of UDI/Ontario and the Greater Toronto Home Builders' Association, which has since rebranded to BILD. Rodgers' long history of involvement with OHBA, including serving as a Director from 2011 to 2016 and as President from 2016-2017, along with his volunteer positions within BILD, OHBA and CHBA, align perfectly with the association's needs.

President Dave Depencier expressed his confidence in Neil, saying, "His extensive background in association management, public policy, and government relations makes him an ideal candidate to steer OHBA forward.

The OHBA Board of Directors welcomes his valued expertise, counsel, and organizational acumen as we navigate this transition phase."

Neil Rodgers assumes the role of Interim CEO effectively immediately, and OHBA looks forward to his leadership and contributions to the continued success of the association.

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