



MEDIA STATEMENT

Niagara Association of REALTORS® Congratulates Cheryl Ganann on Acclamation as Mayor of West Lincoln

(West Lincoln, ON – October 28, 2026) — On behalf of the Niagara Association of REALTORS® (NAR) and our REALTOR® Members across the region, congratulations to Cheryl Ganann on her acclamation to a second term as Mayor of the Township of West Lincoln.

REALTORS® work every day with families, first-time buyers and residents looking to find a home that meets their needs. As communities like Smithville continue to grow, ensuring that residents have access to a diverse range of attainable housing options, supported by the necessary infrastructure, will be essential to West Lincoln's long-term prosperity.

NAR recognizes Mayor Ganann's leadership over the last term in advancing practical solutions to local housing challenges, including Council's adoption of the Affordable Housing Community Improvement Plan in April 2026. This important initiative provides incentives to encourage new affordable housing development, including grants to offset municipal planning and building permit fees for eligible projects. We also recognize the Township's success in securing nearly \$4 million in provincial funding for critical water and wastewater infrastructure improvements in Smithville, helping unlock opportunities for future housing construction.

NAR believes there are important opportunities to work together to improve housing affordability, streamline development approvals, reduce unnecessary costs associated with building new homes and encourage a broader range of housing options. We also look forward to contributing to the Township's new Official Plan, ensuring that future growth accommodates the housing needs of residents while respecting West Lincoln's rural and agricultural character.

NAR believes that housing affordability and responsible growth must go hand in hand. Our members stand ready to work collaboratively with Mayor Ganann and Council to advance practical solutions that encourage housing investment, support local families and ensure West Lincoln remains an attractive and attainable place to call home.

Congratulations again to Mayor Ganann and all members of West Lincoln Township Council.

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