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Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus Chair to Take Leave of Absence

(Southwestern Ontario, January 29, 2025) – The Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus (WOWC) announces that Chair Mayor Amy Martin of Norfolk County will be taking a leave of absence from her role with the organization. This leave will allow Mayor Martin to focus on her candidacy for the riding of Haldimand-Norfolk in the upcoming provincial general election.

Mayor Martin's leave of absence will take effect immediately. During her absence, Vice-Chair Kevin Marriott, Warden of Lambton County, will assume the responsibilities of Chair.

"The WOWC Board thanks Mayor Martin for her work as Chair," stated Vice-Chair Marriott. "I look forward to building on the significant progress we've made together in addressing housing, infrastructure, workforce development, and the critical issues of mental health and homelessness across Southwestern Ontario."

The WOWC remains steadfast in advocating for the priorities outlined in its 2025-2027 Strategic Plan—housing, infrastructure, workforce development, and mental health, addictions, and homelessness—throughout the upcoming provincial election, ensuring these critical issues remain at the forefront of the conversation.

About

The Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus (WOWC) is a not-for-profit organization representing 15 upper and single-tier municipalities in Southwestern Ontario, representing more than 1.6 million residents. The WOWC aims to enhance the prosperity and overall wellbeing of rural and small urban communities across the region. Caucus members work collectively to influence federal and provincial legislation and programs through advocacy, research, analysis and education. For more information, visit www.wowc.ca.

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