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British Columbia Real Estate Association Board of Directors 2018-2019

James Palanio Leads Provincial Real Estate Organization

Vancouver, BC – May 2, 2018. The British Columbia Real Estate Association (BCREA) is pleased to announce that Penticton REALTOR® James Palanio has been elected as its 2018-2019 President.

"I'm very pleased to be BCREA's President," says James Palanio. "This has been a period of significant change in our profession. We will be employing a collaborative and cohesive approach to enhance REALTORS®' ability to continue to serve the best interests of their clients."

Licensed since 2002, James Palanio is an Associate Broker with Royal LePage Locations West realty in Penticton. He is very involved in organized real estate provincially, which allows him to be at the cutting edge of change within the real estate profession in the province. He has served as a Director at BCREA for six years and at the South Okanagan Real Estate Board for six years, as well as serving on numerous committees.

Joining Mr. Palanio as Officers of the Association are President-Elect Michael Trites of Royal LePage Northstar Realty in South Surrey and White Rock, Past President Jim Stewart of 460 Realty in Nanaimo and Chief Executive Officer Darlene Hyde.

BCREA also welcomes new REALTOR® Directors Anthony Bastiaanssen (Kelowna), Dan Morrison (North Vancouver), Katherine Rutherford (Kamloops), as well as new Public Director, Kam Raman. Returning REALTOR® Directors include Ray Harris (Port Coquitlam), Kyle Hislop (Chilliwack), and Cory Raven (Vancouver). Public Director, Mark Sakai, is also returning.

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[BCREA](#) is the professional association for about 23,000 REALTORS® in BC, focusing on provincial issues that impact real estate. Working with the province's 11 real estate boards, BCREA provides continuing professional education, advocacy, economic research and standard forms to help REALTORS® provide value for their clients.

To demonstrate the profession's commitment to improving [Quality of Life](#) in BC communities, BCREA supports policies that help ensure economic vitality, provide housing opportunities, preserve the environment, protect property owners and build better communities with good schools and safe neighbourhoods.

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