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British Columbia Real Estate Association Board of Directors 2019-2020 *Michael Trites Leads Provincial Real Estate Organization*

Vancouver, BC - March 26, 2019. The British Columbia Real Estate Association (BCREA) is pleased to announce that Fraser Valley REALTOR® Michael Trites was elected as its 2019-2020 President at its annual general meeting on March 26, 2019.

"Working in organized real estate has always been a rewarding experience," says Michael Trites. "In 2018, there was a lot of focus on helping REALTORS® *adapt* to change. In 2019, I look forward to helping shift that perspective and working with BCREA and the province's 11 member boards to *lead* change."

Licensed for more than 40 years, Trites brings a wealth of knowledge and expertise to BCREA. He is currently the managing broker of Royal LePage Northstar Realty in South Surrey and White Rock and previously served as a director for the Fraser Valley Real Estate Board for four years.

Joining Mr. Trites on the Board of Directors are President-Elect Anthony Bastiaanssen of the Okanagan Mainland Real Estate Board, where he was president in 2016; Past President James Palanio of Royal LePage Penticton; and BCREA CEO Darlene Hyde.

BCREA also welcomes new REALTOR® Directors Gian-Piero Furfaro (Victoria) and Janice Stromar (Vancouver Island). Returning REALTOR® Directors include Ray Harris (Port Coquitlam), Dan Morrison (Vancouver), Cory Raven (Vancouver) and Katherine Rutherford (Kamloops). Public Directors Kam Raman and Mark Sakai are also returning.

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For more information, and a high-resolution photo of Michael Trites, click here.

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About BCREA

BCREA is the professional association for about 23,000 REALTORS® in BC, focusing on provincial issues that impact real estate. Working with the provinces 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, providing housing opportunities, preserve the environment, protect property owners and build better communities with good schools and safe neighbourhoods.