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British Columbia Real Estate Association Board of Directors 2023-2024: *Darren Close Leads Provincial Real Estate Organization*

Vancouver, BC – March 22, 2023. The British Columbia Real Estate Association (BCREA) is pleased to announce that Victoria REALTOR® Darren Close has been elected as its 2023-2024 Chair at the BCREA Annual General Meeting on March 21, 2023.

“I am humbled and excited to have been selected by our peers to transition into the role of Chair for our provincial association,” says Close. “I look forward to continuing to foster our relationships, finding more opportunities for success, and assuring presence and accountability for all of our members.”

“As a champion for the real estate sector in British Columbia, BCREA has made great strides in many areas. And each day we grow stronger working together to meet the demands of our profession.” Close adds.

Close has been a licensed REALTOR® since 2004 and has been actively involved in organized real estate since 2014. Prior to joining the BCREA Board of Directors in 2020, he served as a Director of the former Kootenay Association of REALTORS®, now part of the Association of Interior REALTORS®, for seven years, where he was President and Finance Chair.

Joining Close as Officers of the Association are Chair-Elect Tim Ayres of Royal LePage Coast Capital; Past Chair Janice Stomar of Royal LePage Nanaimo Realty; and BCREA Chief Executive Officer Trevor Koot.

BCREA also welcomes new REALTOR® Directors Kim Heizmann (Kelowna) and Darcy McLeod (Vancouver), and new public Director Amanda Magee (Vancouver). Returning REALTOR® Directors include Ruth Hanson (Vancouver), Chris Shields (Surrey), Ashley Smith (Vancouver), and Robert Wood (Kelowna). Public Directors Catherine Aczel Boivie and Kenneth Tan are also returning.

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For a high-resolution photo of Darren Close, [click here](#).

To view BCREA's 2022 Annual Report, [click here](#).

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[BCREA](#) is the professional association for more than 26,000 REALTORS® in BC, focusing on provincial issues that impact real estate. Working with the province's [eight real estate boards](#), BCREA provides professional development opportunities, advocacy, economic research and standard forms to help REALTORS® provide value for their clients.

