

## **News Release**

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## **REAL Board of Directors appoints acting President & CEO**

(Regina, SK) The Regina Exhibition Association Limited (REAL) Interim Board of Directors announced that President and Chief Executive Officer (PCEO), Tim Reid is no longer with the organization. Roberta Engel, current Vice-President, Corporate Services, has been appointed as acting PCEO.

The REAL board voted unanimously to remove Mr. Reid as PCEO. This leadership change is the next step in the formal review of the organization, which will focus on financial sustainability, organizational structure, operations, governance and strategic mandate.

"The board wants to thank Mr. Reid for his work with REAL over nearly six years," said Niki Anderson, Chair, REAL Interim Board of Directors. "Although the board believes that part of the organizational change requires leadership change, the board thanks Mr. Reid for his efforts and for the exciting events that he attracted to our city."

The interim board was appointed by City Council in November 2023. The new board is focused on working with Ms. Engel, who has been with REAL for nearly six years in a variety of roles. The board and Ms. Engel will focus on reviewing REAL's financial and strategic operations to ensure stability.

The interim board is committed to ensuring REAL's current commitments are fulfilled, operations remain on course, and events are fully supported.

Media is invited to scrum with Chair, Niki Anderson today, January 16 at 12:00 pm (noon) at the REAL administration offices.

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## About REAL

Owned by the City of Regina and situated in the heart of Regina, Regina Exhibition Association Limited (REAL) is the largest interconnected event complex in Canada. It is the home of the REAL District and is the centre of sport and rec, business, entertainment, and agriculture for the community. REAL is a notfor-profit corporation that operates the 100-acre property. The REAL District hosts most of Regina's major events, including Canada's Farm Show presented by Viterra, Queen City Ex presented by SaskTel, and Canadian Western Agribition. It is also home to the Saskatchewan Roughriders, Regina Pats, Regina Soccer Association, many minor and recreational sports, concerts, trade shows, and conventions.

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