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CHBA BC Association Award Winners Announced

BURNABY, B.C. (March. 11, 2016) – Following its Annual General Meeting, the Canadian Home Builders' Association of BC (CHBA BC) presented the Association Awards of Excellence at the President's Night celebration. The event honours the efforts of those who help the Association grow and achieve its objectives, including outgoing President, Simon Howse.

"Each year CHBA BC recognizes our local associations and members who have made significant contributions to the housing industry and to our Provincial Association," said CEO Neil Moody. "Each year it is very difficult to choose recipients for these Awards. Their accomplishments are many, the reasons exceptional."

The Continuing Education Award was presented this year to CHBA Northern BC for its efforts in reaching new members with education, creating a cohort model for education and graduating the first certified Master Builders in the region. The CHBA Northern BC Executive Officer, Councillor Terri McConnachie, also receive the Executive Officer of the Year Award. Terri has worked to build new partnerships, design public events for members, and capitalize on the regional strengths in her area.

The Ridgecap Award, presented to the local association with the greatest net increase in members during the year, was presented to the Greater Vancouver Home Builders' Association (GVHBA). "GVHBA has been proactive with membership recruitment and implemented a successful plan. This year, they surpassed their target by 14% and had a net increase of 10.5% in new members," said Moody.

The Local Association of the Year Award was presented to Bob de Wit, CEO of Greater Vancouver Home Builders' Association (GVHBA). In addition to a growing membership in Greater Vancouver, the team at GVHBA has increased their communications efforts and media presence, implemented new educational events to members, and improved their advocacy efforts with local government representatives.

The CHBA BC Member of the Year Award was presented to Michael Delich from CHBA Rocky Mountain. Michael has served on the Board of Directors at both the local and provincial levels. He helped to develop new initiatives for members in BC, is a trusted voice in the industry and association, and is always available to provide assistance and advice.

"At CHBA BC, we are lucky and grateful to work with a dynamic team of Executive Officers and volunteer members," said Moody. "I would like to congratulate all of this year's winners for their accomplishments and contributions to our Association."

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