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NHBA ANNOUNCES 2023 MEMBER & COMPANY OF THE YEAR

DECEMBER 6, 2023 – ST.CATHARINES, ON — On Tuesday, December 5, 2023, The Niagara Home Builders' Association hosted their annual Christmas Celebration & Elimination Draw, which took place at the Holiday Inn Convention Centre in St. Catharines.

For almost 20 years, the NHBA has paid recognition to the individuals and companies that are responsible for the Associations' presence and viability, by awarding both a Member of the Year Award and Nick Basciano Company of the Year Award.

Richard Lawrence, past NHBA President and Project Manager at Cotton Inc. took home this year's "**Member of the Year**" Award.

In his address to the audience, NHBA CEO, Chuck McShane noted that Richard has been an active part of the Association for over 10 years, 2 of which included his 2022/2023 Presidency terms. Under his leadership, the NHBA was able to secure over \$ 2 million dollars in Skills Development Fund Grants through the Ministry of Training and Skills Development, allowing individuals free construction skills training and paid job placement opportunities.

With an Association of over 150 Member companies, this year's "Nick Basciano Company of the Year" Award recipient was Centennial Homes Niagara.

While continuing to build our communities, Centennial Homes has played a pivotal role in shaping the future of the Association.

Their support and commitment to Niagara can be seen throughout the region, including a recent \$2 Million dollar donation towards the cardio-respiratory unit of the new South Niagara Hospital.

Congratulations to this year's recipients!

About The NHBA

Established in 1955, the Niagara Home Builders' Association is a not-for-profit organization representing more than 150 member companies including: Builders, Developers, Renovators, Supplier, Supplier/Trade Contractors, Manufacturers, and Allied Professionals.

The NHBA is the Voice of the Residential Construction and Renovation Industry, consisting of a network of professionals who use strategic alliances to effectively manage residential construction issues to the satisfaction and betterment of members and the consumers.

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