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Ontario Professional Planners Institute announces 2011 - 2013 OPPI President Mary Lou Tanner

October 26, 2011 - The Ontario Professional Planners Institute (OPPI) is pleased to announce its 2011- 2013 President, Mary Lou Tanner, MCIP RPP. Ms Tanner was first elected to OPPI Council in 2003. She has served as (Council and the OPPI members in a variety of capacities including Central District Representative and Co-Chair of the 2009 OPPI/CIP Conference Program Committee) and was the President Elect and Affiliate representative on the Council of the Canadian Institute of Planners (2009 to 2011).

The Ontario Professional Planners Institute recently adopted new standards for certification of professional planners making a commitment to the profession and the public interest. In her role as President, Ms Tanner will focus on implementation of the new standards, advancement of key issues for professional planners, including self regulation and continuous professional development, a stronger relationship with Ontario's planning schools and students, and a commitment to the Institute's members through innovation and excellence in implementation of new initiatives.

Ms Tanner is an award winning urban planner whose work has been recognized provincially and nationally. Ms Tanner has worked in the western GTA in leadership positions in Hamilton, Halton and Niagara. Currently she is the Associate Director of Regional Policy Planning in Niagara Region's Integrated Community Planning Department. Ms Tanner graduated from Queen's University with a BA (Hons) in Urban Geography and a Master's In Urban and Regional Planning.

*The Ontario Professional Planners Institute (OPPI) is the recognized voice of the Province's planning profession. Its more than 3,500 members work in government, private practice, universities, and non-profit agencies in the fields of urban and rural development, urban design, environmental planning, transportation, health and social services, heritage conservation, housing, and economic development. For further information, go to:
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