



MEDIA ADVISORY

Ontario Professional Planners Institute

TORONTO – The Ontario Professional Planners Institute (OPPI) will release the names of the 2008 winners of the Excellence in Planning Awards on Friday, September 12, 2008. Celebrating ‘the best of the best’ in planning, these awards recognize innovation, creativity, professionalism, problem-solving, and communications. In addition, the inaugural winner of the Healthy Communities Award, established jointly by OPPI and the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario, will be announced. Details on all of these winning projects will be released at the press conference.

OPPI will also be announcing the appointment of an Honorary Member of the Institute. Honorary Membership recognizes the work of non-planners and acknowledges the valuable contribution of people outside of the profession in promoting healthy communities.

WHO: Wayne Caldwell, MCIP, RPP, President, Ontario Professional Planners Institute
Rocco Rossi, CEO, Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario

WHEN: Friday, September 12, 2008 at 10 a.m.

WHERE: Media Studio, Main Legislative Building, Queen’s Park, Toronto

NOTE: Upon arrival at the Legislative Building, external media need to check in with security. From there they will proceed to the Press Gallery Lounge on the 3rd floor to receive a badge/pass from the Press Gallery Steward.

The Ontario Professional Planners Institute (OPPI) is the recognized voice of the Province’s planning profession. Its more than 3,000 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: www.ontarioplanners.on.ca

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