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MINISTER'S ORDER RE: MAXIMUM PERCENTAGE OF BOARD MEMBERS UNDER THE SAFETY AND CONSUMER STATUTES ADMINISTRATION ACT, 1996

WHEREAS subsection 8 (5) of the *Safety and Consumer Statutes Administration Act*, 1996 provides that the Minister may, by order, provide that no more than a fixed percentage of members of the board of directors (the "Board") of an administrative authority shall be drawn from among the persons or classes of persons specified in the order:

AND WHEREAS the Real Estate Council of Ontario ("RECO") is designated as the administrative authority for the purpose of administering provisions of the *Trust in Real Estate Services Act*, 2002 and the regulations made under that Act;

AND WHEREAS RECO is required to exercise its powers and duties to protect, enhance and improve consumer protection and comply with the principles of maintaining a fair, safe, and informed marketplace and promoting the protection of the public interest;

AND WHEREAS an order limiting the percentage of members of the Board that may be drawn from certain persons or classes of persons facilitates a Board that effectively oversees real estate salespersons, brokers and brokerages and protects consumers by being composed of members with various perspectives and skills;

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to subsection 8 (5) of the *Safety and Consumer Statutes Administration Act*, 1996, I hereby make the following Order:

1. In this order,

"broker", "brokerage" "registrant" and "salesperson" have the same meanings as in the *Trust in Real Estate Services Act, 2002*.

"Board" means the board of directors of RECO.

- 2. No more than thirty-four per cent of members of the Board shall be drawn from among any of the following classes of persons:
 - a) Registered brokers or salespersons.
 - b) Individuals who are directors, officers, employees, members or agents of registered brokerages.
 - c) Individuals who are directors, officers, employees, members or agents of an industry association representing the interests of registrants.
 - d) Individuals who within the one-year period before becoming a director of the board of the administrative authority met the description in any of clauses a through c.
- 3. RECO shall take the necessary steps to implement this Order by no later than June 1, 2024.
- 4. This Order comes into effect on the day it is made.

The Honourable Todd McCarthy

Minister of Public and Business Service Delivery

Made this 2 day of January , 2024.