



MEDIA RELEASE

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MCKELLAR TOWNSHIP CLERK ADMINISTRATOR STEPS DOWN AS CHIEF RETURNING OFFICER

McKellar, Ontario. Due to recent unforeseen events, it is the Clerk Administrator, Ina Watkinson's decision to recuse herself from the Chief Returning Officer position for the Township of McKellar Election 2022. This decision was made by the Clerk to ensure the election would not be affected by public scrutiny or any conflict of interest within the election process.

The Clerk has retained the services of Kim Bordeleau to assist and oversee the election process. Kim has been the Chief Returning Officer in the Parry Sound–Muskoka Riding for both Elections Canada and Elections Ontario for over twenty years. The knowledge and experience she brings to the Township is invaluable and will ensure the integrity and validity of the election.

The election process will continue with Township of McKellar staff Karlee Britton, Mary Smith and Roshan Kanitya. These staff members have been in elections training and are up to date on all election procedures.

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