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**MINISTER'S ORDER RE: ADVISORY COUNCIL UNDER THE
*SAFETY AND CONSUMER STATUTES ADMINISTRATION ACT, 1996***

WHEREAS subsection 13.3 (1) of the *Safety and Consumer Statutes Administration Act, 1996* (the "SCSAA") provides that the Minister may, by order, require a designated administrative authority to establish one or more advisory councils and include, as members of an advisory council, representatives of the public, consumer groups, businesses or government organizations and other persons as the Minister determines;

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 requiring an advisory council to be established provides a forum to enable RECO to obtain advice and input from key stakeholders to make informed decisions related to its consumer protection mandate;

NOW THEREFORE pursuant to subsection 13.3 (1) of the SCSAA I hereby make the following Order:

1. In this order,
"broker" "salesperson" "brokerage" and "registrant" have the same meanings as in the *Trust in Real Estate Services Act, 2002*.
"Board" means the board of directors of RECO.

2. RECO shall establish an advisory council comprised of members representing the interests of registrants. The advisory council shall include members who are directors, officers, employees, members or agents of industry associations representing the interests of registrants, as well as one member from RECO's Board that has been drawn from the real estate services sector. In addition, the advisory council may include members from any of the following classes of persons:
 - a) brokers.
 - b) salespersons.
 - c) individuals who are directors, officers, employees or agents of registered brokerages.
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.