

Media Release

Engineer Honoured for Exceptional Service to the Profession through North Bay Chapter of Professional Engineers Ontario

Toronto – (May 2, 2016) – An engaging leader and mentor to engineers in his community, Raymond S. Hong, P.Eng., FEC, of PEO's North Bay Chapter, has been named a Member of the Professional Engineers Ontario (PEO) Order of Honour. He was inducted into the Order at an April 29 gala in Toronto.

A member of the North Bay Chapter executive since 1997, Hong brought a stabilizing influence to the leadership group and helped to ensure the chapter's financial stability for 10 years as treasurer. He also worked to improve communication to chapter members by redesigning the chapter newsletter. To encourage the development of leadership skills amongst members and provide a networking opportunity for his colleagues, Hong founded the North Bay Wings hockey team in 1998. The team comprises local professional engineers and engineering interns who compete in the annual Northern Region PEO Hockey Tournament.

Hong says "it is important for engineers to volunteer with PEO to enhance awareness of the work we do and to promote the profession to students looking for a career path to follow."

Putting his beliefs into action, he participated for nearly a decade on the North Bay Regional Science Fair Committee, chairing it for several years and igniting in students a passion for science and engineering. This annual event not only allows students to showcase their skills, but also raises the profile and enhances the image of engineering in the community.

The Order of Honour pays tribute to individuals who have rendered conspicuous service to the engineering profession. The rank of Member is bestowed upon those who have served the profession by contributing substantially to its operation or improvement in its status.

About Professional Engineers Ontario

Under the authority of the *Professional Engineers Act*, PEO governs over 85,000 licence and certificate holders and regulates professional engineering in Ontario. PEO's mission is to regulate and advance the practice of engineering to protect the public interest. Its vision is to be the trusted leader in professional self-regulation. Professional engineering safeguards life, health, property, economic interests, the public welfare and the environment. Professional engineers can be identified by the P.Eng. after their names. Holders of limited licences can be identified by LEL after their names.

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