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I am committed to the principal object of PEO:

“to regulate the practice of professional engineering ... in order that the public interest may be served and protected”

My PEO and Engineers Canada volunteer activities include the PEO Council (Councillor-at-Large); Council Committees (Audit, Executive, and Legislation); Academic Requirements Committee (Chair, Vice-Chair, and member); Kingston Chapter Executive (Vice-Chair and Board member); Canadian Engineering Accreditation Board (Program Visitor); Canadian Engineering Qualifications Board (Sub-Committee Member). Thus, I am well aware with the issues from both a **Chapter viewpoint and the PEO operations perspective**.

- My perspectives relate to the most fundamental activity of PEO, **issuing licenses to practice as a P.Eng**.
- I endorse
 - **member involvement self-regulation** by advocating **respect for PEO members and volunteers, transparency** and **accountability**
 - **knowledge-based decision making** (peer review) that Council has abandoned in recent major policy decisions
 - reinforcing values of **Code of Ethics, Equity, Diversity, Inclusivity**; including **cognitive diversity** and **demographic diversity** on Council and committees
 - rapid transition to an **online licensing system** to expedite the application process, provide instant info to applicants, improve communications, ... particularly under COVID-19 conditions.
- I oppose imposition of mandatory **PEAK** until it has proven its value for PEO members and the public.
- Council must focus on fundamental issues: present and future of **self-regulated** professional engineering; up-to-date principles for **qualifications and practice in a global society**, with **rapid advances in engineering**, and not allow **governance** to continue to hijack Council's mandate.

I am a good listener. As your Councillor, I listen to your concerns and ideas and fight for the necessary changes.

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