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Letts Moves On From Chamber Post

Kitchener, ON – Ross Wells, Chair of the Greater Kitchener Waterloo Chamber of Commerce announced today the resignation of Todd Letts, the Chamber’s President & CEO. Mr. Letts has served in this capacity for the past seven years.

“The past seven years have been prosperous ones for our regional economy and the Chamber,” said Ross Wells, *“We are very thankful for Todd’s leadership during this strong period of growth.”*

The Chamber achieved a number of milestones during Letts’ tenure. Membership grew to over 1900 members and the Chamber was recognized with many honours. Significant milestones and honours include:

- 2001 Merger of the Kitchener-Waterloo and Elmira-Woolwich Chamber of Commerce
- 2002 Ontario Chamber of Commerce Chair’s Award for Business Education
- 2003 Launch of the Prosperity Council of Waterloo Region
- 2004 Ontario Chamber of Commerce Chair’s Award for Membership Development
- 2004 Accreditation with Distinction from the Canadian Chamber Accreditation Council
- 2005 Canadian Chambers Competition – Silver Finalist for Community Leadership
- 2006 Ontario Chamber of Commerce Chair’s Award for Next Generation Leadership (Chamber Young Professionals program)
- 2006 Launch of the Chamber Health Care Recruitment Council
- 2006 Launch and hosting of the Waterloo Region Immigrant Employment Network
- 2006 Business Times names Chamber as Best Networking Organization in Waterloo Region
- 2006 Ontario Business Achievement Award for Export Development Programs
- 2007 Letts named Ford Fellow in Regionalism and Sustainable Development by the Ford Foundation

“I’m so very grateful for having had the opportunity to work with a fantastic group of community builders,” said Letts, *“Chamber staff and volunteers are the most generous and talented people I’ve ever met. It has been a pleasure to serve with them in helping our region to grow.”*

Mr. Letts has accepted a position with a local technology services company. He will be assisting the Board of Directors in the transition to a new CEO and will complete his work with the Chamber in mid-May.

With over 1900 members, the Greater Kitchener Waterloo Chamber of Commerce is the largest accredited chamber of commerce in Ontario. The Chamber is dedicated to enterprise productivity and regional prosperity. Since 1886, it has been the voice of business in greater Kitchener Waterloo.

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