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The Regional Municipality of York hires new Commissioner of Community and Health Services

Adelina Urbanski brings wealth of experience to a demanding portfolio

NEWMARKET – The Regional Municipality of York today announced the appointment of Adelina Urbanski as the new Commissioner of Community and Health Services for York Region.

The position is effective February 1, 2010.

“On behalf of York Regional Council, I am delighted to welcome Adelina to York Region and to the role of Commissioner of Community and Health Services,” said York Region Chairman and CEO Bill Fisch. “Adelina’s strong managerial background in social services, administration and housing, as well as her excellent track record in managing the complexities and demands of large departments, made her an excellent choice to lead this challenging portfolio.”

Ms. Urbanski’s responsibilities at York Region include overseeing the largest Regional department with 1,500 employees and the following portfolios: Housing Services including Housing York Inc., Emergency Medical Services, Employment and Financial Support, Family and Children’s Services, Long Term Care and Seniors, Public Health and Strategic Service Integration, Business Services and Quality Assurance.

She joins York Region following an impressive 26-year career with the Regional Municipality of Halton, where she served most recently as Commissioner of Social and Community Services for the past 11 years.



Adelina Urbanski

Her duties at Halton Region included:

- Managing 800 employees, 60 managers and a \$100-million budget
- Implementing two new long-term care facilities
- Directing the first multi-departmental Comprehensive Housing Strategy
- Implementing a multi-faceted strategy focused on strengthening customer service and leadership in the management team
- Developing innovative strategies to manage growing and changing departments
- Participation on numerous boards, task forces and associations

Ms. Urbanski holds an Honours Bachelor of Public Administration degree from the University of Windsor, as well as a number of executive designations, including:

- A Certificate in Municipal Administration from the University of Windsor
- A Certification as Municipal Manager (Level 2) from the Ontario Municipal Management Institute
- Participation in the Queen’s University Executive Leadership Development program
- Obtained the Chartered Directors designation from the Directors College (a joint venture of McMaster University and The Conference Board of Canada), 2009

“Adelina is an extremely well respected manager who has consistently and adeptly shown an aptitude for dealing with growth, change and the daily rigours of a large public-service organization,” said York Region Chief Administrative Officer Bruce Macgregor. “I am confident that her wealth of skill and experience makes Adelina an excellent addition to our talented York Region Senior Management team, in addition to being an asset to our corporation and community.”

Work profile for Adelina Urbanski at the Regional Municipality of Halton:

- Commissioner, Social and Community Services (1998 to present)
- Acting Commissioner, Social and Community Services (1998)
- Director of Administrative Services (1995 to 1998)
- Manager of Administrative Services, Social and Community Services (1990 to 1995)
- Co-ordinator of Administrative Services (1985 to 1990)

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A high-resolution photo of Adelina Urbanski is available upon request.

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