



Cheryl Gray Announced as BOMA Canada's 2007 Chairman's Award Recipient

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Ottawa, Ontario - Ken Loeppky, Chairman of the Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA) of Canada, is pleased to announce the 2007 recipient of the BOMA Canada Chairman's Award. Cheryl Gray is being honoured in recognition of her service to the national association, as well as her generous and timely contributions of energy and expertise towards key issues affecting not just BOMA members but all industry stakeholders. Her longstanding dedication to BOMA and her ongoing efforts to effect positive change in our dynamic business make her a most deserving recipient of this award.

"Cheryl Gray has been an extremely committed leader at all levels of the BOMA organization, says Ken Loeppky, Chairman of BOMA Canada. "She continually makes important contributions as a strategic thinker and as a respected expert who works tirelessly to foster improvements in our industry. She serves as a dynamic industry spokesperson for BOMA, both locally in Toronto and at the national and international levels. Her valued support of the BOMA Go Green initiative as well as her visionary leadership as Chair of the National Industry Task Force on Pandemic Planning have resulted in significant gains for our organization and its members, as well as for the commercial real estate industry as a whole," he adds.



Ms. Gray identified the need for a standardized pandemic preparedness program for the commercial real estate industry, and was the catalyst for a unique collaboration of senior industry leaders, to establish the national pandemic task force. She recognized that BOMA Canada was the platform to deliver the appropriate response tools, and provided invaluable leadership on this important pandemic project for the benefit of both BOMA members and the industry as a whole.

BOMA Canada is an organization made stronger through the collective efforts of its members. Whether at the local, national or international level, volunteers lend valued expertise and insight, crucial to helping the organization accomplish its goals. Accordingly, the Chairman's Award recognizes an outstanding contribution by an individual to BOMA Canada. Thanks to her exceptional leadership, and continued dedication, BOMA Canada is delighted to acknowledge Ms. Gray's contributions in serving our association and our members.

Cheryl Gray, CPM, is Senior Vice President – National Real Estate Services, Bentall Capital. Ms Gray joined Bentall in 2000 to lead the property management services team in Eastern Canada. As a member of the senior management team, today she directs Bentall's National Real Estate Services (NRES) department which provides strategic support to the corporation's real estate services in Canada and the United States. NRES is responsible for corporate and operational risk management; environmental programs and policies; property management best practices; and national contracting.

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Ms. Gray has over 27 years of real estate management experience having worked with major Canadian real estate firms; TrizecHahn, Enterprise Property Group and Manulife Real Estate in office, industrial, retail and residential property portfolios. She holds a Certified Property Manager designation; is a current member of the BOMA Canada's National Advisory Council; a past National Board member of the Real Estate Institute of Canada; past chair of the Institute of Real Estate Management Canada Council, and, is currently a 3rd year level student with the University of Waterloo working towards a Bachelor of Arts, majoring in Economics.

"Not only does she have a truly collaborative spirit, Ms. Gray also possesses the key ability to lead by example, and is actively involved in significant national issues affecting our entire industry. She has lent her insight and expertise to a variety of initiatives, each of which has had a lasting, positive impact on BOMA Canada and its members," notes Mr. Loepky. "She both challenges and supports BOMA to become better at what it does, helping shape the association into a stronger and more effective national body. Her ability to engage other industry leaders in developing new policies and practices that benefit everyone, from tenants through to building owners, has been a hallmark of her many contributions to our organization. I am very pleased to recognize Ms. Gray as the recipient of the 2007 Chairman's Award."

The BOMA Canada Chairman's Award will be formally presented to Ms. Gray at the BOMA Canada National Awards Gala in Toronto, on September 19, 2007, in conjunction with BOMEX® 2007, BOMA Canada's national conference and exposition.

The Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA) of Canada is the voice of the Canadian commercial real estate industry with over 2,500 members in regional associations across Canada. On behalf of the building owners, managers, developers, facilities managers, asset managers, leasing agents, brokers, and the product and service providers to over 1.9 billion square feet of commercial real estate in Canada, BOMA Canada addresses issues of national concern, and promotes excellence in the industry through information, education advocacy and recognition.

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