



Media Release

Highest Honour for Volunteer Service to the Engineering Profession Presented to Mississauga Engineer at Annual Awards Gala

Toronto – (April 29, 2013) – For his tireless and inspiring promotion of the engineering profession, Philip Maka, P.Eng., FEC of Mississauga, has been named a Companion of the Professional Engineers Ontario (PEO) Order of Honour. He was inducted into the order at an April 26, 2013 gala in Toronto.

Phil Maka has been an inspiration to his professional colleagues during his 25 years of service on the Mississauga Chapter Executive. His contributions have helped to transform the chapter into one of the busiest and most successful in the PEO system. Maka has served three terms as chapter chair, and is credited with organizing and leading such innovative initiatives as the chapter's mentorship program and highly successful licence certificate presentation ceremonies. His influence in the community has included establishing a role for the chapter in regional science fairs. He also chaired the chapter's Government Liaison Program committee, resulting in elected officials commonly attending chapter events.

Devoted to ensuring strong governance at PEO, Maka was elected to council in 2003 and served eight consecutive years as a West Central Regional Councillor.

Maka also represents PEO on the boards of Engineers Canada and the Ontario Association of Certified Engineering Technicians and Technologists. He believes volunteering allows individual members to help mold the profession into a future of which we can be proud.

The Order of Honour pays tribute to individuals who have rendered conspicuous service to the engineering profession. The Order of Honour's highest distinction, the rank of Companion recognizes contributions that exceed those of Officer. It is reserved exclusively for individuals whose distinguished service has profoundly influenced the profession.

About Professional Engineers Ontario

Through the *Professional Engineers Act*, PEO governs over 80,000 licence and certificate holders and regulates professional engineering in Ontario to serve and protect the public. 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.

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