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East Central Councillor

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A Message from Nanda

I am deeply honoured and grateful to have been acclaimed as your PEO East Central councillor on November 25, 2024. Your trust and support mean the world to me, and I am committed to serving our community with dedication and integrity.

PEO Council is making significant strides to improve our chapter system, ensuring it encompasses both advocacy and governance activities. This will enhance our ability to represent your interests effectively and uphold the highest standards of our profession.

Additionally, we are taking bold steps to reintroduce the engineering internship (EIT) program, making it bigger and better than ever before. This initiative will provide aspiring engineers with more robust training and development opportunities, preparing them for successful careers.

We have also made it a priority to support internationallyeducated engineers by streamlining the licensing process, making it easier for them to contribute their valuable skills and expertise to our community.

I have also personally visited all the chapters in the East Central region to stay in touch and hear your concerns.

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Your feedback has been invaluable, and I am committed to continuing this engagement to ensure your voices are heard and your needs are met.

Thank you once again for your unwavering support. Together, we will continue to build a stronger, more inclusive engineering community.



What I Stand For

- **Self-governance:** Whether it's a move to mandatory professional development or fundamental changes to the chapters, engineers should be front and centre in the decision-making process. We need to take charge of our own affairs and make sure that the future of engineering in Ontario and our collective destiny lie exclusively in the hands of engineers, period.
- A new EIT program: Bringing back the Engineering Internship (EIT) program is essential for nurturing and mentoring aspiring engineers. This initiative will provide the guidance and support needed to help new engineers thrive in their careers. By enhancing the EIT program, we are building a strong foundation for the future of our profession.
- Emerging disciplines: In today's rapidly evolving technological landscape, it is crucial that we capture and integrate new disciplines of engineering. Ensuring that engineers working in these emerging industries are properly licensed is essential for maintaining the highest standards of safety, quality, and innovation. By doing so, we not only uphold the integrity of our profession but also foster a culture of excellence and accountability.
- **Better chapters:** I've been a PEO chapter chair for four years and I know that the advocacy component of our operations is slowly fading. Movie events, wine tours, and social events may become things of the past. Let's innovate and develop chapters that involve both governance and advocacy activities.
- Effective representation for East Central: We don't need a candidate with a bunch of promises. We need a candidate with experience who can meet the challenges of today. We need a councillor who has empathy and cares. I believe I'm that person.

About Me

- East Central Councillor, PEO, since 2023
- Vice President (Appointed), PEO since 2024
- **Professor**, Civil Engineering Technology, Seneca Polytechnic
- Chair, Willowdale/Thornhill PEO Chapter (2011-2013, 2018-2020)
- Executive, Willowdale/Thornhill PEO Chapter (2005-2023)
- Inducted into the **PEO Order of Honour** (2022)
- Fellow of Engineers Canada (2015)
- Government liaison representative, PEO, Willowdale
- Member, Ontario Society of Professional Engineers
- Member, Council of Tall Buildings and Urban Habitat
- **Professional engineer** since 2003
- B.A.Sc. (civil), University of Toronto; MEPP (engineering and public policy), McMaster University
- Founded and raised funds for the Nanda Layos Lwin Civil Endowed Award to assist civil
 engineering technology students at Seneca College in financial need
- President, Ruskin Literary and Debating Society (2021-2022), and member since 2007
- Active in local politics at the municipal, provincial, and federal levels
- Author of eight books, former journalist, avid reader, Billboard chart watcher, and music lover