



## **Media Release**

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### **Ryan Gauss Appointed to the London Police Services Board**

The London Police Services Board (LPSB) is pleased to announce London Municipal Council's appointment yesterday of Mr. Ryan Gauss as the Board's citizen member. Mr. Gauss' appointment comes in response to the vacancy created by former Chair Susan Toth's January 30, 2023 resignation. His appointment term aligns with that of Council's and will end November 14, 2026. His LPSB Oath of Office is yet to be scheduled, however is expected to take place at LPS Headquarters within the next couple of weeks.

Mr. Gauss earned his Honours Bachelor of Arts Degree in History and Political Science from King's University College at Western University in 2008. Born and raised in London, Ontario, he has an extensive background in the local community, which includes various board appointments and volunteer positions with local organizations. He is currently the Director of Operations and Personnel for Peter Fragiskatos the Member of Parliament for London North Centre. In this role, Ryan carries out his duties both in London and on Parliament Hill. Ryan was previously a Human Resources Advisor with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP), where he started working as a high school co-op student and held various administrative roles throughout his approximate 12 years with the organization.

Ryan was also the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of London City Professional Soccer Club – London's only professional soccer franchise – prior to his family selling the club in 2011. He has been involved with the Bethanys Hope Foundation as a volunteer since 2006, was appointed to the Board of Directors in 2008, Vice-Chairperson from 2011 to 2013 and Chairperson from 2013 to present. In 2015, Ryan was elected to a one-year term as the President of the World Leukodystrophy Alliance (WLA), an international organization that is a collection of "...like-minded organizations interested in the development of therapies and improving the quality of life for those with leukodystrophies."

In 2015, Ryan received the Young Alumni Award from King's University College which recognizes outstanding achievements from those who have earned regional, national or international recognition in such areas as: service to humanity, professional accomplishment, community service, the advancement of knowledge, or service to King's College.

Ryan resides in London with his wife Haley, a Registered Nurse (RN) and they have two sons, Hudson (5 years old) and Aidan (20 months).

Ryan says, “Giving back to one’s community is something I have always believed in. If a citizen can volunteer to make their city better, then they should do so. This is why I wanted to serve on the London Police Services Board. It is a sentiment that will now define my work alongside fellow LPSB colleagues.

Indeed, we need to work together towards greater public safety and a better future in the face of many serious challenges. I am dedicated to doing exactly that as a member of the LPSB and our community.”

Board Chair Ali Chahbar says, “On behalf of the London Police Services Board, we congratulate Mr. Gauss on his appointment and look forward to welcoming Ryan as a member of our Board. Ryan’s extensive volunteerism and involvement in our community speaks to his passion for public service. Once sworn in, Mr. Gauss’ appointment will return the London Police Services Board to its full complement of seven (7) members.”

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