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County of Simcoe Council Elects New Warden for 2010 Wasaga Beach Mayor Cal Patterson becomes 146th Warden

Midhurst/ December 8, 2009 – County of Simcoe Council today elected Cal Patterson, Mayor of the Town of Wasaga Beach, to serve as Warden for 2010.

Upon his swearing in at Council's Inaugural Meeting, Warden Patterson became the 146th County of Simcoe Warden and the first ever from Wasaga Beach. He will serve the last one-year term of office as head of Council. Beginning in 2011, wardens will serve for two years, as directed by Council earlier this year.

"Today Council put their faith and support behind me and I am truly humbled to receive this tremendous honour," stated newly elected Warden Patterson. "I assure everyone here today that I will fulfill the role of Simcoe County Warden with respect, commitment and integrity."

"Strong leadership is based on inclusiveness, effective communication and the ability to work with others, ensuring all stakeholders are involved in the process and decisions are made in the best interest of the entire County of Simcoe."

County Council is comprised of the 32 mayors and deputy mayors of Simcoe County's member municipalities. Councillors elect the County Warden each December from amongst their peers.

Council also elected the chairs of the County's standing committees for 2010. Severn Township Mayor Phil Sled was elected Chair of the Performance Management Committee; Penetanguishene Mayor Anita Dubeau was re-elected Chair of the Human Services Committee and Doug Little was re-elected Chair of the Corporate Services Committee.

The County of Simcoe is composed of sixteen member municipalities and provides crucial public services to County residents in addition to providing paramedic and social services to the separated cities of Barrie and Orillia. Visit our website at simcoe.ca.

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