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## **PRESS RELEASE**

*Board Changes Announcement*

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### **To All Members of our Community**

London,Canada  
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Press Release  
London Ontario  
To All Members, Media and Partners

Please be advised that Deb Abdalla has advised ; due to family and health she will no longer serve as President of Pride London Festival effective May 19th 2023. .

Deb joined Pride London as President in November of 2021.

Deb was instrumental in ensuring Pride London Festivals continued operations including the parade ,vendors, sponsors and partners.

We thank Deb for her years of tireless work, dedication and passion to ensure Pride London Festival continued throughout the return of in person events and her continued assistance..

Deb will remain as a Director assisting with operations, specifically parade and vendors.

On May 17th 2023 the board voted to select Presidential Advisor Stephen D Amelio to be the secretary until either A) The 2023 AGM or b) A new board member is elected to take over this position - pursuant to the Pride London Festival bylaws.

On May 18th a board meeting was held in which the board elected current VP Richard Renaud as Interim President until either a) The 2023 AGM or b) A new board member is elected who wishes to serve as President. Nikita Miller was elected as Vice President ; all other positions remain unchanged.

Pride London Festival is now starting the process to look for 2 new board members. Please note you must be a member for at least 60 days prior to applying. The date of the upcoming election will be announced in our next communication pursuant to Pride London Festival bylaws.

We look forward to seeing new faces and fresh new perspectives joining both our board and committee and thank you for your continued support.

Pride London Festival is a nonprofit organization based in London Ontario serving the 2SLGBTQ2SIA Communities holding a 10 day annual festival featuring a 3 day outdoor festival in the heart of the city alongside a number of digital programs hosted on Pride London Network.

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