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Change Ahead as Tim Hudak Welcomes Greg Schirk as Ontario PC Candidate for Guelph

NEWS:

Today, Ontario PC Leader Tim Hudak congratulated Greg Schirk on his nomination as the Party's official candidate for Guelph. Hudak thanked Schirk for his dedication to Guelph's hardworking families, seniors and business owners. Schirk spoke about the need for change from Dalton McGuinty's tax hikes, expensive energy experiments and reckless spending.

With *changebook*, the Ontario PCs have a focused plan to put families first and give them the relief they need. *Changebook* will put more money in the pockets of hardworking Guelph families, provide change to guarantee the services they need, such as health and education, and change to clean up Dalton McGuinty's legacy of waste, fraud and secret deals.

Schirk is an entrepreneur in the window and door installation business and has held several leadership positions in industry associations. As a longtime Guelph resident, husband, and father of two grown children, Schirk understands the kind of change Guelph families need, such as strong private sector jobs and real tax relief.

QUOTES

"Dalton McGuinty's Tax Man routine has produced higher taxes, higher hydro bills, and left families asking for relief. With Greg as their representative at Queen's Park in an Ontario PC government, the hardworking families of Guelph will finally get the respect they deserve."

-Tim Hudak, Ontario PC Leader

"Guelph families are working harder and getting less because of the McGuinty Liberals' tax hikes, waste, secret deals and expensive energy experiments. *Changebook* offers families the change they deserve."

-Greg Schirk, Guelph Ontario PC Candidate

QUICK FACTS:

- A Tim Hudak government will change the tax system to allow all couples to share up to \$50,000 of their income for tax purposes. A typical middle class family earning \$70,000 could save \$476 per year.
- To give families additional tax relief and to spur economic growth, a Tim Hudak government will lower income taxes by 5% on the first \$75,000 of taxable income. This will put \$258 back in the pocket of a taxpayer earning \$70,000 each and every year when our tax relief plan is fully implemented.
- A PC government would provide \$275 in immediate relief on rising energy bills for families and seniors facing rising energy bills by:
 - Removing the HST from home hydro and home heating bills;
 - Removing the Debt Retirement Charge from residential hydro bills. The full amount had been collected by 2010 – yet the McGuinty government extended it to 2018.
- Learn more about how the Ontario PC Party will bring change at www.changebook.ca

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