

## **PRESS RELEASE – FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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### **Kim Richter: On the Taxpayer's Side...Making Every Dollar Count**

Kim Richter, Professor of Business Management at Kwantlen Polytechnic University, and 3 term Councillor in Langley Township, has decided to seek one more term as Councillor for the Township of Langley in the November 15, 2008 Municipal election.

Says Richter: **“This election is crucial to the economic well-being of Langley Township. I have been and continue to be very worried about the tax, spend and borrowing excesses of the existing Mayor’s Council slate.**

**As a Professor of Business Management, I know, as you do, that we are now facing very uncertain economic times.**

**Now is not the time for the continued “money-is-no-object” policies like those we’ve seen under the current Mayor’s tenure. Weekly ribbon-cuttings mean escalating Township operating costs which in turn mean escalating Township property taxes.**

**Given what’s happening with our economy, now is the time for a tight rein on spending, and living within our means. We need an affordable, sensible, modest and well-planned approach to the use of tax dollars. Unfortunately, we are now going to have to ‘pay the piper’ for the past financial excesses of the current Mayor and his hand-picked ‘silent slate’ Council.**

**We definitely need new people on Township Council who understand the value of a tax dollar and who don’t take those tax dollars for granted”.**

Richter has long been acknowledged as a tireless advocate on behalf of the taxpayer and has been instrumental in ensuring ‘child-friendly’ and ‘age-friendly’ development, a youth commission, healthy and safe communities, and water/environmental protection measures.

Her priorities for the next term include affordable, sensible, and well-thought out fiscal management, community safety, transportation, and development plans.

**“I do things for the right reasons.” said Richter. “I am on the taxpayer’s side first and foremost. I will continue to work hard to see that that you, the taxpayers, are represented and that your concerns are taken seriously. I will protect your interests. I will speak out on your behalf and make sure that every tax dollar you pay counts”.**

Richter and husband Bob celebrated their 25<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary this year. They have 3 children: Stafford (UVic), Sterling (Emily Carr) and Graecen (Kwantlen).

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