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### New City Architect to Lead Local Housing Agency

This month Michael Shilale, AIA takes the helm as President of the Rockland Housing Action Coalition Board of Directors.

Michael succeeds Roberta Lennett, Vice President, of Provident Bank who has been President for the last four years. Michael believes “ Ricky has led Rockland Housing Action Coalition to become one of the leading affordable housing agencies in the region. “ Michael has served on the Rockland Housing Action Coalition’s board for seven years, the last four as Vice President. “He states that he is proud of Rockland Housing Action Coalition accomplishments and look forward to the challenges ahead.

The greatest challenges to affordable housing are available sites and communities willing to support our work. “The need and the money are there, Shilale says, we just have to convince communities that we can build attractive affordable housing that contributes to the character of our Towns.”

For fifteen years Rockland Housing Action Coalition has advocated for affordable housing.

Over the last five years Rockland Housing Action Coalition has built 44 affordable single family houses for working families and over 200 affordable apartments for seniors.

Rockland Housing Action Coalition is presently working with several volunteer firefighters and emergency service groups to build affordable rental housing for their young volunteers.

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