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# BIA sets new standard

The majority of the news we hear, see or read nowadays seems to be filled with politics or depression.

We at community newspapers do not have this to the extent that other media has, in fact we get to highlight the positive aspects of communities and individuals.

So with this in mind, we wanted to take a moment and give kudos to the Barrhaven Business Improvement Area for taking a most proactive stance towards their members. Because they, like some individuals, have gone above and beyond.

The Barrhaven BIA has decided to allow home-based businesses to join their organization.

And really, why not?

Are these businesses not run similarly to those operated from a store?

Home-based businesses are a thriving and growing industry, which should definitely not be overlooked.

Too many times we have heard people comment about home-based businesses and how they are "not as credible" or "not as professional" or "not as reputable."

These are stigmas many businesspeople who work from home have tried hard to lessen.

The Barrhaven BIA has definitely helped home-based businesses in this sense.

We applaud the BBIA on their positive outlook and hope that other similar groups will not be too long in following.