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*Rose Barroso, founder and operations manager of Barroso Homes, is an award-winning builder of modern and smart homes. Rose is enthusiastically hands-on, whether it's during the design process of a new home or a renovation of an existing space, she has a zest for modern design and an eye for hidden possibilities. So, when her family decided on a massive interior renovation of her own family home, it became more than a job, it was a labour of love. ▶*





This Humber Valley Village home was made up of over 8,000 sqft traditional, overdone, and extremely outdated designs. Barroso decided to transform the original interiors into a stylish contemporary space. She blew out walls, removed doors, and replaced a once very elaborate staircase with a single open riser staircase.

A small balcony located at the back of the house was extended to become a covered deck running the entire width of the home. Completed with an open flame fireplace, TV and BBQ area, this became a perfect place to relax after a long day. Barroso transformed her simple grass backyard into a hidden oasis by adding a pool, hot tub, and stunning firepit, perfect for any fall evening.



The boxy, dark and sectioned off basement was completely recreated by removing walls to open up the space. By substantially enlarging the only window, Barroso was able to design a gym separated by glass walls, allowing light to flow through the whole basement. Beyond the glass walls, a games room was added with an Olympic size Snooker Table and a state-of-the-art Sports Simulator. >



*Wanting to create a larger, more modern kitchen, Barroso removed walls to give the space an open feel. A new climate control glass wine cellar was introduced into the main floor, adding a focal point to the family room.*



Continuing the theme of creating open spaces throughout the home, more walls were removed, and all bedrooms were given their own ensuites and closets. The master bedroom underwent the most radical transformation, incorporating a seating area, large dressing space, huge walk in closet, and a peaceful and bright white bathroom with a spectacular red tub.





Finishing off Barroso's home design renovation, she installed a Control4 Technology system in order to revamp her families daily living. By using a smartphone, iPad or Apple Watch, the homeowner can control elements such as the curtains, lighting, sound system, surveillance cameras, HVAC system, pool heat and lighting, security system, garage doors and even the children's TVs.

Looking back on her extensive home renovation, Barroso was extremely satisfied and proud of what she had accomplished. ■