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TO/DEST. Co-ordinator, Planning and Environment Committee

FROM/EXP. Planning and Property Commissioner

SUBJECT/OBJET **RENAMING BECKETT'S LANDING ROAD
RIDEAU TOWNSHIP**

DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION

That the Planning and Environment Committee (acting as the Regional Street Name Committee) approve the following proposed street name change and that public notices be placed in a local newspaper having general circulation in the municipality and a public meeting be convened if necessary:

- 1. That “Beckett’s Landing Road” (Regional Road 5) be changed to “MERLYN WILSON ROAD” (see attached map).**

BACKGROUND

It has been requested by Rideau Township that “Beckett’s Landing Road” (Regional Road 5) be changed to “Merlyn Wilson Road” in order to distinguish this road from a road in the immediate vicinity, bearing the same name, but located in the adjoining Township of Oxford-On-The Rideau. Both of these roads are currently served by the Kemptville Fire Department and Kemptville based ambulances and it is critical that confusion over the duplication of road names in this area be avoided.

We have been advised by the Clerk, of Rideau Township that the property owners (approximately ten properties are affected) along Beckett’s Landing Road have been notified for their input with respect to potential new names for this road. Three responses were received of which two suggested that the road be renamed in honour of the former clerk of Marlborough Township, Merlyn Wilson. Apparently, the Wilson family still own property in the area.

REGIONAL COMMENTS

The proposed name has been checked for duplication against the Regional Street Name Index and is found acceptable for use.

In addition, Part XVIII Section 300(1) of the Municipal Act, states that:

“Before passing a by-law to change the name of a highway,

- a) notice of the proposed by-law shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality, and
- b) the Council shall hear any person who claims that he will be adversely affected by the by-law and applies to be heard.”

To this effect one of the recommendations of this report is to place an advertisement in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

This will be addressed by the newspaper advertisement.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATION

The cost of the newspaper advertisements will be absorbed within the Planning and Property Department's budget.

***Approved by
N. Tunnacliffe, MCIP, RPP***

