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Mayor & Council
Town of Amherstburg
271 Sandwich Street S.
Amherstburg, ON N9V 2A5

RE: Proposal for the Honorary Street Renaming in Celebration of the Amherstburg Freedom Museum's 50th Anniversary

Dear Members of the Amherstburg Town Council:

I hope this letter finds you well. As we approach the 50th anniversary of the Amherstburg Freedom Museum (September 20th, 2025), we are excited to celebrate this milestone and reflect on the important contributions the museum has made in preserving African Canadian history and culture. In recognition of this momentous occasion, we are reaching out to propose two initiatives that we believe will further enhance the visibility of the museum and honor the legacy of its founder, Melvin "Mac" Simpson.

In honor of our founder, Melvin "Mac" Simpson, whose vision and leadership established the Amherstburg Freedom Museum, we respectfully propose renaming King Street as "Mac Simpson Way." Mr. Simpson's tireless efforts in the community have left an indelible mark, and it would be a fitting tribute to honor his memory as part of the museum's 50th anniversary celebration. Adding this honorary name to King Street"

We are confident this initiative will enrich Amherstburg's cultural landscape and strengthen the museum's role as a vital historical site. We kindly request the Council's support in recognizing Melvin "Mac" Simpson, his vision and accomplishments.

Thank you for your time and consideration. We look forward to collaborating on these meaningful enhancements to our town and museum.

Sincerely,

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