## Katie Rice

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## Dear Council,

My name is Katie Rice (Caldecott) and I grew up on the 6th of Brant on a beef cow calf operation. I now live in what I like to call downtown Lovat in Greenock Township on a hobby farm. I've always been involved in the Brockton community from the Mingle and Mix 2006 Homecoming to being in the Walkerton Agricultural Society. Although I went to school at the University of Guelph to study Environmental Management specializing in Water Conservation, and then followed my husband to Law School in Windsor, we'd drive back home almost every weekend as we both have strong and large family connections to this area. I couldn't be happier to now be raising our two daughters here, taking them to fall fairs and homecomings almost every weekend this summer. I recently switched careers to work as a Radiation Safety Technician at Bruce Power following a very enjoyable career in water and wastewater treatment.

I would be an excellent candidate for the Brockton Municipal Council for several reasons. One is I have a lot of experience working on committees and subcommittees and boards. From Rotary to Church to Municipal Heritage Committees, I am aware of the responsibility, the importance of confidentiality and how high the workload really is. It takes hour of research beyond the paperwork given to be prepared to represent the best interests of constituents. I am also aware that the council is governed by various acts, bylaws and policies which one must take into consideration when making decisions. Secondly, I have experience running for council. When I lived in Saugeen Shores, I ran for council and had to develop clear opinions on various controversial matters. I have a strong drive to contact the people at the heart of an issue and hear their views. I am able to understand the essence of a complaint easily and clearly

communicate it to a committee. I also am able to stand behind decisions I don't agree with to maintain a united front as a council. I make an excellent team player and a strong committee member. Although I was unsuccessful in the municipal election, I was appointed to the Municipal Heritage Committee. Lastly, I grew up in Brockton and would have a unique voice on council. I would represent a younger generation, a rural voice and an outlying community. I am a university educated Brockton native with a rural background who has working experience in farming, small business and water treatment. Please consider my name for the Brockton council vacancy.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Katie Rice