Fill out form, make & file COPY with the Town Clerk, & mail ORIGINAL before Feb. 20, 1999 TO: Vt. Agency of Transportation, Planning Dept., 133 State Street, Montpelier, Vt. 05633. We, the Selectmen or Trustees or Aldermen of SHARON WINDSOR COUNTY on an oath state that the mileage of highways, according to Title 19, V.S.A., Sec#305, added 1985, is as follows: PART I - CHANGES & TOTALS - Please fill in and calculate totals. DISTRICT 4 ADDED * SCENIC **PREVIOUS** SUBTRACTED MILEAGE * MILEAGE MILEAGE TOTAL * HIGHWAYS HIGHWAYS .000 * CL1 LANE .000 14.520 CLASS 2 CLASS 3 30.620 STATE HWY 16,167 ************************************* * 62,107 61.3071 5.0701 CLASS 4 * Class 1 Lane Mileage is NOT added into the total. PART II - INFORMATION & DESCRIPTION OF CHANGES SHOWN ABOVE. (1) NEW HIGHWAYS: Please attach Selectmen's "Certificate of Completion and Opening". , 8 miles of Class 3 road accepted; designated formerly as a road extension of Town Highway 45 (2) DISCONTINUED: Please attach SIGNED copy of proceedings (minutes of meeting). Town Highway 32 discontinued (3) RECLASSIFED/REMEASURED: Please attach SIGNED copy of proceedings(minutes of meetings). Highway 9 reclassified as least train Town Highway 51 reclassified from legal trail to Class IV (4) SCENIC HIGHWAYS: Please attach copy of order designating/discontinuing Scenic Highways. PART II CHECK BOX IF NO CHANGES IN MILEAGES AND SIGN BELOW PART III - SIGNATURES - PLEASE SIGN SELECTMEN/ALDERMEN/TRUSTEES SIGNATURES: CLERK SIGNATURE: Please sign ORIGINAL & return for Transportation signature. AGENCY OF TRANSPORTATION APPROVAL: Signed copy will be returned to T/C/V Clerk.

Representative, Agency of Transportation

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION AND OPENING OF A HIGHWAY FOR PUBLIC TRAVEL

, <u>TowN</u> clerk of the <u>TowN</u>
of, Vermont.
Pursuant to Title 19, V.S.A., Section 15, as amended 1973, this is to certify that the following described section of Class Highway in the TOWN was COMPLETED AND OPEN FOR PUBLIC TRAVEL ON No
DESCRIPTION OF RIGHT-OF-WAY: Beginning
see attached deed and map; refer to Town Highway 45 (and corresponding "P" for private extension) on Aut Highway Map (1986)
and as shown on a Highway Map of the Town of SHARON, dated, 19, and filed in Book R on page 48 of the Records of the Town of SHARON by the Town Clerk of said municipality incorporated herein by reference and attested to on said map by said Clerk.
Dated at <u>SHARON</u> , County of <u>WINDSOR</u> and State of Vermont, this day of, A.D., 19 <u>99</u> .
BOARD OF SELECTMEN ALDERMEN TRUSTEES
and the MAYOR of the City of

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THE ABOVE IS A TRUE COPY OF THE DESCRIPTION OF CLASS HIGHWAY COMPLETED AND OPENED FOR PUBLIC TRAVEL, RECORDED IN BOOK ON PAGE OF THE OF OF OF OF OF ON THE OF OF ON THE OF O'CLOCK,M.
ATTEST:

_____, CLERK OF ______, VERMONT

CERTIFICATE OF ACCEPTANCE

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS that the BOARD OF SELECTMEN for the Town of Sharon, Vermont, at a meeting duly warned and convened on June 30, 1998, a quorum being present, by vote of the necessary majority, pursuant to TITLE 19 VSA §701 ET SEQ, after examining the road and surrounding area, and finding the acceptance of the road formerly known as Bancroft Hill Road, now known as the extension of Eastman Road, to be in the public good, and for the necessity and convenience of the inhabitants of the Town, have laid out the so-called extension of Eastman Road as it is highlighted and appears on the Plan of Maps of White Brook, Inc. dated March 12, 1976 and revised April 11, 1977, prepared by Ralph J. Michael, Vermont L.S. No. 130, being drawing number 72-49.16 recorded in Map Book 2, page 48 of the Sharon Land Records on April 6, 1978, and as is more particularly described as highlighted on the attached Schedule A.

Pursuant to TITLE 19 VSA §715 this certificate shall be recorded in the Land Records for the Town of Sharon and copies provided to all abutters.

Dated at Sharon, Vermont this 30th day of June, 1998.

Margaret E. Becker
WITNESS AS TO ALL

By: JOAN OF SHARON BY: JOAN SHARON BY:

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ORDER TO ACCEPT BANCROFT HILL ROAD AS A CONTINUATION OF EASTMAN ROAD (TH#45), A CLASS III TOWN HIGHWAY

FINDINGS:

- 1. Request to Take over Bancroft Hill Road: Residents of Bancroft Hill Road met with Selectmen on February 18, 1997 to request the Town take over Bancroft Hill Road. They submitted a formal written request (petition) to the Board in March 1997. On November 4, 1997 the Board of Selectmen took action to begin the process of adopting Bancroft Hill Road as a town highway pursuant to VSA 19 Sec. 708.
- 2. <u>Public Hearing and Site Visit:</u> Pursuant to VSA 19 Sec. 709, Selectmen held a public hearing on the matter on December 16, 1997, after having held a site visit on November 18, 1997.
- 3. <u>Conformance with Town Highway Standards:</u> Selectmen discussed whether or not Bancroft Hill Road conformed to standards for town highways as set forth in the following Selectmen's minutes:

Minutes of February 18, 1997
Minutes of March 18, 1997
Minutes of November 4, 1997
Site Visit Report of November 8, 1997
Minutes of November 18, 1997
Minutes of December 2, 1997
Minutes of Public Hearing December 16, 1997
Minutes of February 3, 1998

4. Waivers Granted: The Selectboard granted formal waivers from the requirements of Section 4.2 of the Sharon Highway Policy as follows and stated in the Selectmen's Minutes dated February 3, 1998:

"After brief discussions George Ostler made the MOTION to grant three waivers - as requested in Doug Moore's letter - from standards for grade, travelled way width, and shoulders as set forth in Section 4.2 of the Town's highway policy. Dale Potter seconded. The MOTION carried."

ORDER:

1. In conformance with VSA 19 Sec. 710 and 711, Selectmen took final action regarding Bancroft Hill Road on February 3, 1998:

George Ostler made the MOTION that Selectmen, after considering standards for town highways and impacts on the tax base, MOVE that the Town accept .8 miles of Bancroft Hill Road

as a Class III town highway, but that this acceptance is subject to specific conditions as follows:

- A. Residents are responsible for having 250 feet of guard rail (band rail) installed on the outside curve extending uphill from the driveway of Martin and Jennifer Young (owners of parcel R07540R), and that the Town install 60 feet of guard rail extending downhill from Mr. Young's driveway.
- B. Residents are responsible for having culverts cleared and fixed as identified in Dale Potter's inspection report from the site visit on November 12.
- C. Residents are responsible for contacting the power company and having trees removed as discussed at the November 12 site visit and in Dale Potter's report.
- D. Residents have the proper deed drawn up for recording.
- That all improvements be completed by June 10, 1998 to enable the Town to conduct a final site visit and take over the road by July 1, 1998. END MOTION

Jean Brockway seconded. The MOTION carried unanimously."

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ORDER TO LAY OUT CLIFFORD FARM ROAD AS A CLASS IV TOWN HIGHWAY

FINDINGS:

1. Request to upgrade Clifford Farm Road: Residents of Clifford Farm Road met with Selectmen on May 5, 1998 to present a petition requesting the Town upgrade Clifford Farm Road from a legal trail to a Class IV town highway. The Town Clerk verified the petition on May 1, 1998.

On May 5, 1998 the Board of Selectmen took action to begin the reclassification process outlined in Title 19 Sec. 708-715. A public hearing was scheduled for June 16 and postponed until July 7, 1998 for full public notification.

- 2. <u>Public Notification:</u> On June 8, 1998 the Sharon Planning Commission was notified in writing of the upcoming public hearing on July 7. On June 8, 1998 public notices were posted in four locations in town. On June 26 and June 27 the Selectmen published an advertisement in the Valley News announcing the public hearing.
- 3. Public Hearing and Site Visit: Pursuant to VSA 19 Sec. 709, Selectmen held a public hearing on July 7, 1997 at 7:30PM. There were no comments opposing this reclassification. All residents of Clifford Farm Road spoke in favor of such action.
- 4. Conformance with Sharon Highway Policy: Though procedures for upgrading town highways are outlined in Vermont Statutes, Sharon's Highway Policy also addresses the issue. Section V of the Policy entitled "Highway Acceptance: Conditions and Procedures", establishes criteria to aid Selectmen in their evaluation of whether or not a highway should be accepted or upgraded.

Accordingly, Selectmen gathered information on tax revenues being generated from abutting properties, traffic, and development.

5. Public benefit and convenience (Title 19 Sec. 710). At the July 7, 1998 public hearing, Selectmen found that the petition to upgrade Town Highway 51 to Class IV status from a Legal Trail is justified for the public necessity and convenience.

ORDER:

1. In conformance with VSA 19 Sec. 710 and 711, Selectmen took final action regarding this reclassification of Clifford Farm Road on July 7, 1998 in their MOTION as follows:

"to upgrade the classification of Clifford Farm Road, a legal trail, to a Class IV town highway". This MOTION was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

2. Recording: Per Title 19 Sec. 711, this order has been recorded by Sharon Town Clerk as noted below.

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SELECTMEN'S ORDER TO DISCONTINUE TOWN HIGHWAY #32, A CLASS IV ROAD Otherwise known as "Ruella Road"

- 1. Existing Status and Description of TH#32: Ruella Road is a Class IV Town Highway; it is .2 miles in length and is accessed via roads serving the Town of Norwich, namely Ruella Road off of Mitchell Brook Road. (Vermont Agency of Transportation Highway Map, 1986).
- 2. <u>Selectmen's Decision to Investigate Discontinuance of certain Class IV roads:</u> On March 17, 1998, Sharon Selectmen decided to review the possible discontinuance or reclassification of a number of Class IV roads, including TH#9 and TH#32.
- 3. <u>Motion to Initiate Discontinuances:</u> On July 7, 1998 the Sharon Board of Selectmen took unanimous action to commence the discontinuance process outlined in VSA Title 19 for TH#9 and TH#32.
- 4. <u>Letter from Landowner:</u> Ms. Sniffen, of Ruella Land Trust, sent a letter to the Board of Selectmen dated August 19, 1998 which speaks favorably to discontinuance.
- 5. Public Hearing: A public hearing was scheduled on this discontinance for August 18, 1998 at 7:00PM. Insufficient notice in the newspaper rendered this hearing improperly warned. Selectmen held a properly warned public hearing October 6, 1998. Comments from Ms. Elsie Sniffen were favorable for discontinuance. Ms. Sniffen is the only landowner affected by this discontinuance.

ORDER TO DISCONTINUE per VSA 19 Sec. 710

1. Order: On October 6, 1998 the Sharon Board of Selectmen took unanimous action, by a vote of 2-0 (Absent: Chairman Jean Brockway), to discontinue Town Highway #32 as set forth in the following MOTION:

"Be it MOVED that the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Sharon discontinue Town Highway #32, a class IV road, originating at the Norwich Town Line as an extension of Ruella Road in Norwich and proceeding in a westerly direction for .2 miles.

This action is recommended for the public good, necessity and convenience of the inhabitants of the Town of Sharon per VSA 19 Sec. 710."

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SELECTMEN'S ORDER TO RECLASSIFY TOWN HIGHWAY #9 off White Brook Road Sharon, VT

Findings of Fact:

1. Existing Status and Description of TH#9: Town Highway #9 is a Class IV Town Highway; it proceeds westerly from White Brook for .1 miles. TH#9 presently serves one 156-acre parcel owned by Mr. Edwin Dobson, parcel number R07061.R in the April 1998 Grand List.

Per Selectmen this old road has been in disuse for many years, and provides access to one 156-acre parcel. The bridge in question has been in disrepair for many years. This parcel is not land-locked and has significant frontage along White Brook Road. This parcel is owned by Mr. Edwin Dobson. Mr. Dobson is being assessed for a 1 1/4 story dwelling valued at \$20,914 and 156 acres of land. The total assessed value is \$113,181 as appears in the July 1998 tax bill.

- 2. <u>SELECTMEN'S ACTION to Initiate Discontinuances:</u> On July 7, 1998 the Sharon Board of Selectmen took unanimous action to begin the discontinuance process outlined in VSA Title 19 for Town Highway #9 and Town Highway #32. (see Selectmen's Minutes for 7/7/98).
- 3. <u>Public Hearing:</u> Proper notification of the August 18, 1998 hearing as required in 19 VSA Sec. 709 was found to be incorrect due to less than 10 days notice via a newspaper of general circulation. A public hearing was scheduled for October 6, 1998. This hearing was properly warned per 19 VSA Sec. 709 (see file notations).

On October 6, 1998 Selectmen held a properly warned public hearing pursuant to VSA 19 Sec. 709. Mr. Dobson's Letters of July 29, 1998 and August 25, 1998 were entered into the public record during this hearing. Mr. Dobson was not in agreement with discontinuance of TH#9, per these letters.

4. Public Benefit and convenience (Title 19 Sec. 710). At the public hearing on October 6, 1998 the Board of Selectmen received comments which were favorable towards reclassification and not discontinuance of Town Highway #9, which would enable the Town to retain the right-of-way but be rid of the obligation for any maintenance.

ORDER TO RECLASSIFY per VSA 19 Sec. 710

In conformance with VSA 19 Section 710 and 711, Selectmen took final action regarding Town Highway #9 on October 20, 1998.

Order: On October 20, 1998 the Sharon Board of Selectmen took 1. action, by a vote of 3-0 to RECLASSIFY Town Highway #9 as a LEGAL TRAIL.

This action is recommended for the public good, necessity and convenience of the inhabitants of the Town of Sharon per VSA 19 Sec. 710.

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