Australian Capital Territory

# Public Place Names (Campbell) Determination 2023

#### **Disallowable instrument DI2023-85**

made under the

Public Place Names Act 1989, s 3 (Minister to determine names)

## 1 Name of instrument

This instrument is the Public Place Names (Campbell) Determination 2023.

#### 2 Commencement

This instrument commences on the day after its notification day.

#### 3 Determination of Place Name

I determine the place name as indicated in the schedule.

Ben Ponton Delegate of the Minister for Planning and Land Management 15 May 2023

### **Division of Campbell - Defence personnel**

The location of the public place with the following name is indicated on the associated diagram.

NAME	ORIGIN	SIGNIFICANCE
Violet McKenzie Park	Florence Violet McKenzie OBE	Electrical engineer, signals trainer, women's advocate
	(1890–1982)	Florence Violet McKenzie, née Wallace, known affectionately as 'Mrs Mac', made an important contribution to the Women's Royal Australian Naval Service (WRANS) during the Second World War. A pioneer in Australian radio and electrical engineering, she was committed to technical education and training, especially for women. McKenzie set up her own electrical contracting business, graduating with a Diploma in Electrical Engineering from Sydney Technical College. In the early 1920s she opened 'The Wireless Shop' in Sydney's Royal Arcade and co-founded 'The Wireless Weekly' (1922), Australia's first weekly radio magazine. McKenzie became a certified radio telegraphist, a member of the Wireless Institute of Australia, and the holder of an amateur wireless licence. In 1938, she was elected treasurer of the Australian Women's Flying Club and began training female pilots in Morse code. With war looming, McKenzie established the Women's Emergency Signalling Corps, offering free training in Morse code, visual signalling and international code. McKenzie campaigned tirelessly to have her female trainees accepted into the armed forces. In 1941, she accompanied fourteen of her trainees to HMAS Harman communications station in Canberra. From the initial intake, WRANS expanded to more than 2,500 personnel by the end of the Second World War. Thousands of men and women passed through her signal instruction school and in 1950, McKenzie was appointed an Officer of the Order of the British Empire for her work with the Women's Emergency Signal Corps.
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