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Please forgive me for using an old list to send this information.
I hope this message gets received by the current council members!
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Sent: Monday, February 21, 2022 5:11 PM
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Cc: Constance Perenyi <cperenyi@shorelinewa.gov>
Subject: Pertinent information regarding our environment.

Dear City Friends,
I understand the City Council wrestles with complex issues and I cheer you on as we do our best to serve the people and support the infrastructure of our City.
My background with Charlie Brown, who was a wilderness ecologist with the National Forest Service, allows me to speak with some authority regarding the current circumstances. When the South Woods property was threatened by developers we spent many years preserving that urban forest. The South Woods Preservation Group was composed of only 8 interested citizens but the City of Shoreline was with us and the bond measure passed to save the woods. We have an opportunity now to collaborate for the betterment of our community. Let's use this time to abide by the loud call of the environmental crisis.
It saddens me to follow the plight of the Save Shoreline Tree mission. It is time to take a stand and be alert to the consequences if we fail to recognize the urgency of their message. I hope each of you will stand firmly to curb the heavy arm of those who would harm our land or destroy our existing trees.

Next Monday, February 28th at the Council Meeting, listen carefully, be with them and act wisely.

With heartfelt sincerity,

Bettelinn Krizek Brown

*Facilitating Individual Wellness
and Progressive Social Values*

2-21-2-22 The tree situation and environmental awareness in the City of Shoreline.

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