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Dear Shoreline City Council,

I am not a botanist, nor an arborist, nor a scientist.

I think it is OK that I am not one of the above, because it doesn't take a huge amount of expertise to know that trees are a free and significant source of oxygen, shade and CO2 uptake. They also help with the filtration of water.

We need to do everything we can at this point to preserve each and every tree. It is unconscionable to take trees down when we are facing climate events like the heat dome of June 2021.

Trees also make our community more attractive.

Please vote for tree codes and support trees in Shoreline.

- **Vote for approval** of the definition of a 6" dbh Significant tree
- **Vote that a permit** is required for removal of every tree 24" dbh and over
- **Eliminate Director authority** to waive and reduce retention of trees on construction sites
- **Eliminate Director authority** to reduce replacement trees on construction sites

I also want to strongly encourage you to do everything you can to avoid destroying the trees on 5th Ave N. We want to walk to the light rail station along a road lined with trees. There is already plenty of concrete.

I am a teacher, a mom and a 20-year citizen of Shoreline. We like living here, and we want our elected leaders to support trees in our community. In many cases, they've been here way longer than us.

Thank you for your consideration,

Kathy Lockwood