

Credit Reserve Association

Petition to amend Tree Removal By Law

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Dear Neighbor,

We seek your support to place a new addendum to the existing Tree By Law before the City of Mississauga Parks & Recreation department.

This amendment is designed to extend the existing By Law to provide additional protection for the particularly large and mature trees that are so much a part of our neighborhood. We are modeling this amendment on the newly amended Tree Protection By Law for the Town Of Oakville (2008) which aims to protect and monitor the felling of these large, mature trees.

While some degree of tree removal is required to ensure safety in cases where trees are damaged or dead, the majority of trees removed in our neighborhood are healthy, mature. The ongoing removal of so many large trees threatens to irreplaceably change the local environment and destroy the unique character of our neighborhood. Healthy mature trees are often removed to make way for residential redevelopment and this By Law addendum would provide an opportunity for assessing the necessity of tree removal.

Current By Law for Mississauga states that property owners require a permit to remove 5 or more trees that are 15cm (6in) in diameter or larger from their private property in a calendar year. The amended proposal to the By Law would seek to require home owners and developers to **submit an application for a tree removal permit in the following circumstance:**

<p>You Must Fill Out an Application for Tree Permit Form if Removing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Five or more trees greater than 15 centimetres in diameter measured at 1.37 metres per calendar year. ▪ Any tree greater that 76 centimetres (24 inches) in diameter, measured at 1.37 meters per calendar year. **

**proposed change to the current By Law

A fully documented proposal will be submitted by the members of the Credit Reserve Association to the City of Mississauga for their review and approval.

We seek your support now to make this happen!

I support the proposed addendum to the existing Tree By Law for the City of Mississauga.

SIGNED

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