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Please support Council Bill 54-2022

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Hello,

I have been very anxious about the rate at which large, old trees are dying in our area, and also about how little consideration is given to the massive benefits that big trees provide environmentally and how incredibly difficult it is to "replace" them - in many cases they cannot be replaced ever - when making decisions to remove healthy trees for development or to deal with other issues where it seems there could be a solution that prioritized preserving trees. I think this is a deeply important issue for our society as a whole, and is highly relevant in Howard County where the pace of development seems to be continually accelerating even as climate change threatens trees from a different angle. I strongly support Council Bill 54-2022, which would provide some measure of protection for some of our trees. Please vote to pass it!

Thank you for your time.

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