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#### VIA EMAIL

Frances Nunziata
Council Speaker / Councillor, Ward 11
Toronto City Hall
100 Queen Street West, Suite C49
Toronto ON M5H 2N2

Dear Councillor Nunziata:

### Re: Council Agenda Item MM8.1 Request to Protect a 250 Year Old Red Oak Tree . . .

I am writing to urge you and your colleagues to vote in favour of Item MM8.1 – a motion calling for protection of the historically 250-year-old Red Oak tree located at 76 Coral Gable Drive.

Toronto's world-famous tree canopy beautifies the landscape we call home and cleans the air we breathe. Our trees have become a symbol of who we are as Torontonians and what our great city represents when it comes to protecting our natural environment.

The motion to protect this specific tree re-enforces our city's continued commitment to our trees.

I have had the distinct privilege of visiting this majestic Red Oak and have learned about its significant history through the exceptional work of local tree historian Edith George. The tree is a living connection to our past and a reminder to future generations of where we've come from.

I trust you and your colleagues will deliberate wisely on this matter and I look forward to a favourable decision.

Sincerely,

Mike Sullivan

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