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**Re: MM8.1 – Request to Protect 250 year old Red Oak at 76 Coral Gable Drive - City Council Meeting-
September 30 to October 1, 2015**

Mayor Tory and Members of Council:

I am writing this letter in support of the above motion that is being brought forward to council regarding this ancient red oak that is found in my riding of York West.

This tree is part of the natural history of Toronto and it has stood for over 250 years. It was a marker for the historic Toronto Carrying-Place Trail and stands as remnant of the ancient forests that could be found in Toronto.

The giant oak has been designated as a heritage tree under Forest Ontario's Heritage Tree program. Despite the designation, the tree is not protected from abatement.

As no tree has been designated as a heritage tree since the amalgamation of the City of Toronto in 1999, this red oak would be a wonderful start to bring tree designation forward in Toronto and protect this magnificent tree.

Sincerely,

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