

Letter to BoS:

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I am writing to share my support for the adoption of a Town Tree Ordinance.

Trees are a critical part of Madison's ecosystem and beauty, and essential to mitigating the effects of climate change. They sequester carbon, improve air quality, stabilize soil, aid in flood control, decrease temperatures and reduce energy needs, reduce noise, and add value to the Town by contributing to new residents' decision to move here and impacting our tax base.

The state has a goal of No Net Loss in the tree canopy. While many of our neighboring towns have Tree Ordinances and Planning regulations to protect trees and support this goal, Madison does not.

It is time for Madison to be more proactive with tree preservation and adopt an ordinance. This can be done in a thoughtful way that promotes the conservation and stewardship of trees but doesn't infringe on homeowner's rights.

Thank you for supporting this important initiative in the protection of our Town's natural resources and the defense against future climate catastrophes.

Sincerely,

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