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Hello Members of the Kansas City Council,

I am writing to you in support of Ordinance 220961 to protect our tree canopy in Kansas City. We regularly walk around in our neighborhood and our community - with our dog, and to neighborhood restaurants. The tree canopy and wooded places is an important element to KC to help keep sidewalks cool and shaded during the heat of our Kansas City summers. In addition to the cooling, trees add a pleasant aesthetic to our streets, and are important as we continue to battle the impacts of climate change. Holding developers accountable for maintaining and re-establishing tree canopies is the least we can do to do our part for a better city and planet.

Thank you for supporting initiatives that help real Kansas Citians and help make this city an even better community to live in.

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