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**Subject:** Amend Chapter 88, Code of Ordinances, by enacting new Sections 88-424-01 to 11  
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Please vote yes for Tree Preservation and Protection in Kansas City, MO.

Maintaining a canopy of trees in the city is very important to me as a resident here. Trees add to the beauty and overall appeal of the neighborhood making the area walkable and inviting.

Also, trees sequester carbon which is another step in meeting our climate goals. They also benefit, stormwater management and air quality.

Some of our existing city trees are up to 100 years old and preservation of them is extremely important. And they are irreplaceable. I see it as imperative that we pass the amendments to this ordinance that will protect and maintain existing trees that are often needlessly removed during construction. When there is no other remedy but to remove a tree, we need guidelines for planting and maintaining new trees. We also need to provide for enforcement of the ordinance. Thank you.

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