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**Subject:** Title 11

I was born here, raised in the suburbs, and returned to Portland after moving away for college. This city has meant so much to me throughout my life and it wasn't until I left that I realized how special and unique it was.

Please protect what makes it unique, beautiful, desirable.

**Extend Title 11 protections.** Trees are part of our heritage. I would hate developer's desires to be valued more than history, culture, quality of life, and community.

Along with extending Title 11, I also advocate for the following:

-Remove the exemptions given to residential developers of lots under 5000 sq. ft. and for lots planned for industrial and commercial development.

-Reset the higher inch by inch 'fee in lieu of preservation' to protect smaller trees. Instead of being triggered at 36". Reset it to 30". The only way to ensure our tree canopy is maintained and renewed is to protect younger trees.

-Apply the same higher 'fee in lieu of preservation' to 2/3rds of the trees on a lot, instead of 1/3rd.

As one of the participating filmmakers in "Canopy Stories," I have documented first-hand the effect trees have on communities in Portland. **We have seen so much change to our neighborhoods, our cost of living, and our communities. Please don't let developers take away our trees.**

Thanks,  
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