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To the Planning and Sustainability Commission --

One of the great pleasures of living in Portland is the sight of the Landmark and Heritage Trees. When we have visitors from out-of-state or from overseas, we point out the Heritage Trees with pride in the fact that our city government has the wisdom to celebrate and protect these trees. It has recently come to our attention, however, that the legal protection of these trees is pitifully weak. Please increase the penalty for harming or removing the Heritage Trees at least to \$5 million when you establish code for the Central City 2035 Plan.

The penalty must be sufficient to insure that a developer will abide by the laws regarding these trees and honor their special importance to the city.

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