

Proposed resolution for the MNA Annual Membership Meeting
October 15, 2009

Whereas the trees in the urban forest in the street right-of-ways and parks contribute immeasurably to the cleansing and cooling of air, providing shade, reducing run off, and enhancing the attractiveness of residences, street and parks; and,

Whereas the trees thus provide significant quality of life enhancements and have great value to property owners, home buyers, neighborhood residents, visitors, businesses and workers alike; and,

Whereas the health of neighborhood street trees has been disregarded during recent construction projects when many large trees were needlessly damaged and destroyed;

Be it therefore resolved, that the membership of the Marquette Neighborhood Association, working on behalf of our neighborhood, hereby supports the transparent creation of a tree health plan to be incorporated into the City of Madison's bidding, contracting and oversight procedures for construction, repair and maintenance projects in the street right-of-ways and right-of-way improvements, parks and sidewalks, in order to ensure the protection and sustained health of our urban trees.