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Dear City Council Members...

I'm writing respectfully to ask for your reconsideration of plans to remove and destroy our beloved Greenleaf Avenue trees. When I imagine Greenleaf Avenue without any green leaves, I see a City spending taxpayers' money needlessly on a misguided errand to make Uptown Whittier look like every other fake and shiny suburb in Southern California. It's not who we are.

Be authentic, my friends. Keep it real. Stay humble. Please hear what your neighbors—and voters—are saying: God save the trees...

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