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Attention to Whittier City Council,

As a born and raised whittier resident I strongly oppose the total removal of the ficus trees on Greenleaf street. The removal of these trees would not only dismantle the historical richness of the landscape but single handedly create an environmental catastrophe. An environmental assessment must be involved in the city council decision making.

By losing all the ficus trees on Greenleaf our city is left to face the loss of temperature control and pollution/carbon exchange. In addition, we are supporting a vision that sees no value in the natural world yet values cities that turn into living machines thats only goal is to create revenue.

City council I strongly encourage ending the approval to remove 113 ficus trees on Greenleaf street, for these trees hold more wisdom than you and I could ever conceive. Say no to unjust ideals of "beautification" and yes to the value of saving our trees.

Sincerely, Jillian Nevarez

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