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15/09/2006
Hon. Raymond Halligan, MLC
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RE : Petition for the Protection of Mature Trees on Public Land in Urban Areas
Contains 718 signatures.

Thank you for accepting to present the attached petition to the Legislative Council.
The Hon. Giz Watson, MLC has also accepted to assist. The number of signatures attached
represents approximately half of the signatories to the petition.

Since the Save Our Trees network of residents began to communicate our concerns about
tree removal activities, we have identified that there are valuable resources available beyond
the anecdotal evidence in support of the petition.

The following may be of some interest at the outset, however, the network of
residents is willing to provide further evidence to the parliamentary committee.

1. Explanatory letter addressed to all Members of the Legislative Council.
(e-mail, 17/07/06)
2. 2006 Post Newspaper and West Australian articles and letters relating to:
loss of amenity, loss of habitat, loss of heritage, loss of environmental and
health benefits, tree removal impacting on real estate values, inadequate
community consultation, lack of transparency in deals between governments
and developers, and the poisoning of public trees for self interest and
environmentally unsound reasons.
3. Mirvac Fini letter from Sales and Marketing Director
re : Hollywood development, Smyth Rd. Nedlands.
“..overlooks an expansive park through amazing heritage listed eucalypts”.
The retention of mature trees has been strongly promoted in their marketing.
4. Battye Library of WA History.
Microfilm records of local newspaper articles and letters on tree removal and
related matters.
5. Records of tree clearing expenditure and activities by local and state
authorities and developers of endowment land, to help quantify the loss of
trees over a given number of years.
6. The “SMUD-Tree Benefits” and the Australian Greenhouse Office web-sites, as
mentioned in the 17/07/06 letter e-mailed to all Members of the Legislative
Council, to help determine the significance of tree removal in terms of CO2
sequestration.

Yours Sincerely,
(Signature removed)
Alex Jones

Convener: Save Our Trees, Promoter: Petition for the Protection of Mature Trees
on Public Land in Urban Areas

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