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To: All ANC Commissioners and Zoning Commission
Case No. 02-19-- Forest Hills Tree and Slope Overlay

Ladies and Gentlemen:

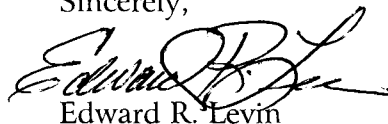
I find it quite appalling that there are people in Forest Hills who cannot leave their neighbors alone to live in the quiet enjoyment of their home without being controlled and intruded upon by those afflicted with "Chicken Little Syndrome." One tree (or even ten) falling from the skyline does not warrant a general panic as if the neighborhood were being strip-mined or clear-cut.

We I live in an area that has so many trees I cannot imagine being so intrusive as to object if someone wants to cut a few some down on their own property. This is another great solution in search of a problem. If I want a patio or a porch, or even a new house instead of a tree in my yard, why should this absurdly restrictive zoning make me suffer such outlandish expense and inconvenience? Moreover, what right do I, or others whose taste may differ, have to impose such restrictions on others?

The "Urban Forest" nomenclature is very appealing, but is being used as a smokescreen to once again rob property owners of a right to utilize their property because their is some busy-body neighbor who wants to impose their will on others.

I am most adamantly opposed to the Forest Hills Slope Overlay and urge the ANC, the Zoning Commission to dismiss any consideration of this burdensome and intrusive imposition on landowners.

Sincerely,


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