



The Mary Elizabeth Sharpe Street Tree Endowment

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An advised fund of the
Rhode Island Community Foundation

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Board of Advisors
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Dear Mayor Cianci and City Council Members:

In 1992, the Mary Elizabeth Sharpe Street Tree Endowment's Neighborhood Planting Program will celebrate three significant events in its history. These are:

- * Planting City street trees with our 100th MESSTE neighborhood group (in the Spring);
- * Planting the 1,000th NESSTE neighborhood street tree (in the fall);
- * Planting the first of the City's own Roger Williams Park Tree Farm trees (in the spring).

Since this partnership between the City of Providence and the Mary Elizabeth Sharpe Street Tree Endowment began its neighborhood plantings in the spring of 1989, we have met and exceeded our goal of planting 250 trees per year through this program that provides street trees to City residents with no out-of-pocket cost to participants.

The Endowment could not have initiated any of this work without the continued support of the Providence City Council, upon whom City residents depend for matching monies for the public portion of the funds needed for site preparation and planting. There is a solid history of public support for urban reforestation efforts in Providence, and this is important to maintain as we aim our sights at a greener, healthier 21st century, working together toward these ends.

Finally, the Endowment would like to acknowledge the efforts of Nancy Derrig, Superintendent of Parks, Bob McMahon, Assistant Superintendent of Parks, and John Campanini, City Forester and Chief Parks Planner, for their support of the Neighborhood Planting Program. Each of these City officials is to be commended for their commitment to urban forestry.

Sincerely,

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THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

September 14, 1992

Recommends to the Council

Jean M. Langston
Clerk

IN CITY COUNCIL

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READ WHEREUPON IT IS ORDERED THAT
THE SAME BE RECEIVED.

Michael R. Clement CLERK