

Fight on!!!

“This beautiful, strong tree is a symbol of survival...just like it's matriarch Méri Jaye and the City she so dearly loves. Too many San Francisco landmarks that make up the tapestry of this City's unique character have been destroyed by people who don't value what this City is about. Meri Jaye and this tree are treasures and pose no threat to the neighborhood. They only enhance this wonderful tapestry of our unique City By The Bay. Fight on Meri Jaye! Fight on you great, strong, beautiful San Francisco lady!

You are and have always been an inspiration to me. We love and support you and this beautiful tree.”

~Jennifer Sorensen (aka Perrando), San Rafael, CA



THIS IS A PARTIAL LIST FROM CHANGE.ORG PETITION TO SUPERVISOR FARRELL, ASKING FOR HIS SUPPORT TO COMPLETE THE PROCESS TO LANDMARK THIS MAJESTIC REDWOOD TREE.

540 TOTAL SIGNATURES (and rising) AS OF 3/20/17

PETITION WEBSITE (Change.org) URL: <https://www.change.org/p/sf-supervisor-mark-farrell-help-landmark-this-san-francisco-redwood-tree-in-the-heart-of-the-city>

TREE WEBSITE: <http://www.HelpLandmarkThisRedwood.com>

FACEBOOK PAGE:

<https://www.facebook.com/HelpPreserveThisSFRedwoodTree/>

We are the neighbors on Leavenworth Street who enjoy and see the tree everyday for inspiration.

Kindly give landmark status to the Montclair Giant Redwood.
Alfred & Val Young, San Francisco, CA

This tree is a cherished part of the neighborhood where I grew up. Landmark trees are part of our civic heritage. We as residents have a claim on their continuing to thrive that overlaps with property rights of the trees' stewards. San Francisco's place in nature is cemented by the place of nature in the city.
Jason Dewees, San Francisco, CA

I am a neighbor of this majestic California redwood tree. It is an asset to our neighborhood, it does not obstruct one's view, it enhances it. It provides home to wildlife and it cleans the air that we breathe...we certainly need that considering the constant flow of traffic down the Crooked St. Most importantly, it was planted over 50 years ago in memory of the precious family that the owner lost in a tragic accident. Furthermore, this is California, we don't cut down trees in this state we plant them! Please vote to landmark this tree, as it is deserving of landmark status.

Nancy Thomas, San Francisco, CA

I have studied this issue and the very strong documentation in support of granting landmark status to this tree. I am at a loss as to what possible (rational) objection could be made to landmarking it. It has been found to be sound and not hazardous. Its presence is a gift of great natural beauty to the city and to all who see it. It must be protected for the wonder that it is and as a continuing reminder of our obligation as stewards of nature in a San Francisco that is now disappearing all too fast into a warren of towers and pavement.

Robert Laws, San Francisco, CA

I'm signing because I have lived close to this tree for 35 years and it is not only a Russian Hill Icon but a California one as well. It must be preserved.

Lucretia Rauh, SF, CA

I'm a Russian Hill Property owner who supports beautiful trees in this neighborhood.

Betina Baumgarten, Greenbrae, CA

This woman is right! My parent's weren't very "outdoorsy" and if I hadn't been a girl shout as a child (I grew up and still live in The City) I NEVER would have gone camping or maybe never even seen a forest as a child. I may never have developed a love of nature. The kids who have been taken to see and touch this tree will always remember it. It could spark an appreciation of nature in them as well, and that can lead a person's life in a completely different direction - one of responsibility for the environment, conservation and creativity. Plus we need all the carbon-sinks we can get to absorb the pollutants in the City's carbon monoxide-filled air.

Please save this tree!

LaVive Kiely, San Francisco, CA

Trees such as this are a huge benefit to all citizens of our state and visitors from across the world. I would hope the Landmark Tree Committee will due all in its power to protect this tree for the decades that come. It is a treasure to have such a magnificent tree in SF.

Betsy Holzhauser, St. Helena, CA

I am signing it because I work near by and want to preserve nature.

Martin Annush, Oakland, CA

From a former resident of San Francisco with a view of the tree from 945 Green.

Suzanne L Erving, Bainbridge Island, WA

“The redwoods, once seen, leave a mark or create a vision that stays with you always...States and governments could not buy and protect these holy trees. This being so, clubs, organizations, even individuals, bought them and dedicated them to the future. I don't know any other similar case. Such is the impact of the Sequoias on the human mind.” (Steinbeck, Travels with Charlie, 1961)
Maria Santangelo, San Mateo, CA

San Francisco needs to preserve all of its trees for a better environment, but especially this one for its beauty and spiritual importance.
Linda Feldman, San Francisco, CA

I love visiting S.F. and seeing this beautiful tree near Lombard.
Shane Giese, Missoula, MT

Trees deserve standing.
Frank Joseph Butler, San Francisco, CA

This tree IS the view! The life of a tree of this longevity and stature is more significant than the long-distance views of a few humans who will come and go!
Diana Goldstein, San Francisco, CA

I am signing because trees are an important part of San Francisco and this one, with its sentimental roots, deserves to be preserved for all.
Meredith Tennent, San Francisco, CA

I have admired this tree for many years and feel that it deserves to stand on Montclair to remind us all of our responsibility as caretakers of the natural world.
Eric Noyes, Bzn, MT

In the middle of a heart of concrete, a little green can go a long way.
We need to keep this as a reminder of what the environment can provide.
Harrison Newkirk, Menlo Park, CA

I stand with redwoods and this marvelous citizen who so eloquently wants to preserve them.
Lynne Burwell, San Francisco, CA

This city needs every tree it can get, especially a redwood like this one.
Ian Berke, San Francisco, CA

I have admired this Redwood tree for many years. I am sure that this beautiful tree has also caught the eyes of many of the visitors to the crooked block of Lombard Street. It also is greatly appreciated by the many birds I have seen in and around the tree. This Redwood needs to be preserved for our City.

Laura Hall, San Francisco, CA

San Francisco needs to protect every healthy tree. Trees are the lungs and beauty of the city.

Jacqueline Proctor, San Francisco, CA

Our city deserves the beauty of trees throughout its urban landscape, and this majestic Redwood is a treasure that needs to be protected.

Pamela Tudor, San Francisco, CA

This gorgeous redwood has earned its place and right to continue beautifying San Francisco for hundreds more years. We must, San Francisco MUST wisely appreciate this living treasure as a dear, contributing, living neighbor and friend to all residents and millions of annual Lombard St. area visitors, too.

Jack Gescheidt, San Geronimo, CA

I am signing because I also have three Giant Sequoias in my backyard that were planted in memory of loved ones I have lost. Watching them grow to their current majestic sizes over the past 40 years has given me great joy, and so have birds and other wildlife that has taken up residence in these magnificent trees.

James Lawrence, San Francisco, CA

Access to nature has a proven benefit to mental health and keeping such a magnificent example in the heart of the city is a great demonstration of putting the benefit of the many ahead of the benefit of the few

Christopher McAtominey, London, United Kingdom

We have to save our urban forest to persevere the bird sanctuary and other eco systems that thrive because of an urban forest. This spectacular specimen represents a living monument to the neighborhood it oversees. Redwoods are strong trees that can thrive in the city and this redwood must be protected. Is federal protection an option?

Stan Anderson, Seattle, WA

I agree with Theodore Roosevelt who said "our people should see to it that they are preserved for their children and their children's children forever, with their majestic beauty all unmarried." Susan Chauncy, Reno, NV

Living in the mountains above the Napa Valley, I am surrounded by natural beauty that those who live in San Francisco may never see. Please sign this petition to protect a giant, majestic sequoia tree that my mom's dear, old friend Meri Jaye planted many years ago in memory of her husband and two sons that died in a plane crash. This tree provides home to wildlife and also acts as a diamond in the rough amidst the concrete.

Kathryn Chauncy, Angwin, CA

San Francisco is the best city in the world and I am proud to have once called it my home, and hope to once again call it my home in the near future. Please landmark this beautiful tree, as it holds a special place in history, not only to Mrs. Jaye but to the city of San Francisco. Thank you. Amy D, Buffalo, NY

Keep this beacon of history and strength where it is.

Diane Ireland, San Francisco, CA

Because we need as many trees as we can get! Especially Redwoods!!

Sally Kassoff, Fountain Valley, CA

It is a mature beautiful tree in a more and more concrete environment... It seems to be on the wind protected side of the hill and doesn't apparently have branches acting as 'sails'. It doesn't block the opposite neighbors views and softens the view of all the "ungreened" roofs below so one isn't just looking at stacks of roof equipment

Dat Pham, San Francisco, CA

It's a majestic memorial redwood tree.

What could be a good enough reason to cut it down?

Pamela Wells, SAN JOSE, CA

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Pamela Tudor, San Francisco, CA

The city needs anti-pollution trees to protect and help with global warming.

Aurelio Silva jr., san francisco, CA

We need redwood trees, not more development.

Lee Collins, Palo Alto, CA

Meri Jaye is my very dear friend and I have shared some wonderful memories in her beautiful garden next to this massive Redwood tree. I am an Audubon member and an avid birder. This tree is home and a resting place for many of our local birds, hummingbirds and our parrots of Telegraph Hill. Please landmark this magnificent tree for all of us to enjoy for MANY years to come.

Kimberly Goodhope, El Cerrito, CA

To support my mother's dear friend, Mrs. Jaye and to preserve a beautiful tree in my favorite city.

Kim Perez, Palm Harbor, FL

Because San Francisco is way too cool to cut down this magical tree! Let there be cool green, clean air, beautiful shade and kind neighbors! Save the Red Wood tree!

Kellie Anderson, Angwin, CA

The tree is healthy and a landmark!

Gary Goss, San Francisco

I support Meri in her quest to keep this landmark tree. If the tree is maintained, there will be no danger to others. I live in a Redwood / Douglas Fir forest and cannot imagine my life without the peace and beauty of the Redwood trees. Because of the special reason Meri planted this tree, it is absolutely and unequivocally imperative this tree is saved.

Roberta Duggan, Arcata, CA

The landmark street also needs the landmark tree!

Gail Holmes, Santa Rosa, CA

This can NOT be replaced!

Elaine Becker, Roanoke, VA

I support designating this Redwood as a landmark tree. I do so because of the significance of its past and to serve as a reminder and inspiration in the future.

Kim Windsor, McKinleyville, CA

Let us pay appropriate regard to a landmark tree growing without disruption for the last 54 years in a historic neighborhood of San Francisco. The life of this tree, and the memorial it has stood for should not be disregarded and dispensed of due to a more contemporary desire to better a view. This is an old historic

neighborhood, Herb Caen, and Louise Jorgorian lived on Lombard Street. The history of this street is worth preserving. Let's think about doing the right thing.
Elaine Powell, Aptos, CA

I'm signing because the sighting of this majestic redwood means I'm close to seeing my dear friend Meri. This beautiful tree is as lovely as the lady who planted it. It was planted with great love, and should be treated with the landmark status it deserves.
Nancy, Cody, WY

I grew up in and around the Bay Area. The love that people have for San Francisco resides in its own love for things which endure and resonate with a sense of unexpected beauty and care; but which, because San Francisco is special, feel obvious. It makes San Francisco special.
Craig Fees, Wormington, United Kingdom

Our Redwoods are an ancient and important part of our ecosystem. This tree has been around much longer than we have we need to learn to respect the native plant and animal species and co exist instead of killing everything like a virus when we live somewhere.
Shannon Staudt, Powell, WY

I'm a believer in Urban Forests, Coast Redwoods, Mrs. Jaye, and Justice!
Matthew Gluck, San Francisco, CA

I know the power of the redwoods to connect us to the natural world. This tree has an important role for so many who don't have the opportunity to go to the forest, but can find a representative in the heart of the city.
Linda Harvey-Hoody, Descanso, CA

Trees are the past and future
Maya Matsumoto, Eureka, CA

I have known Mrs. Meri Jaye for 10 years and have enjoyed this magnificent tree in her garden for just as long. It is spiritual experience to encounter such a magnificent tree in the city. I strongly recommend it be preserved for future generations.
Respectfully submitted, Lawrence Dillon, San Francisco, CA

Meri Jaye is speaking on behalf of the 7 generations yet to be born. She is a guardian caretaker of this magnificent Sequoia, she understands the Circle of Life and our relationship with all living beings. This tree is not an inconvenience; it is a symbol of timeless knowledge, of the continuance of life across generations. Please honor the generations of life that have coexisted peacefully with this giant and have the foresight to save it for the generations that will follow us.
Lisa Smith, Lincoln, MT

I'm signing because I support the preservation of historic trees in San Francisco.
Maria Mana, San Francisco, CA

This tree must be respected and saved!!
Gloria Lambert, Wickenburg, AZ

Trees are living beings with a right to exist
Chris Drury, Lewes, United Kingdom

This precious living thing should be preserved as a gem of the city.
Edward Basham-Witherington, Oakland, CA

I love visiting S.F. and seeing this beautiful tree near Lombard.
Shane Giese, Missoula, MT

This tree is so needed in San Francisco... keep natural beauty, this won't just grow again!
Carmen Baraka, Arcata, CA

This tree is a Landmark. It is not ill, nor is it a hazard. It contributes greatly to the famed beauty of Lombard Street and to the maintenance of urban wildlife. Also, every tree contributes to combatting global warming and the urban temperature anomaly problem, and no mature tree should be removed without good reason.
Kathleen Burnham, Piedmont, CA

I love Ms. Jaye; her passion to protect this tree is well placed!
Dustin Riley Nicholson, San Francisco, CA

It is imperative that we save this incredible wonder of nature, that was planted by an incredible Meria Jaye to honor her family and bring a majestic sense of beauty of San Francisco. I am honored to support this effort, and encourage each reader to do the same.
Celia Waters, Atherton, CA

Please approve the request to landmark this wonderful Redwood tree located on Montclair Terrace. My dear friend, Meri Jaye, planted this tree 54 years ago to memorialize the tragic loss of her family. She has witnessed this tree grow into the magnificent beacon of hope, faith and comfort that it provides to everyone who visits Lombard Street. Permit this grand Redwood to continue to live within the spirit of love, dignity and grace placed by her caretaker for future generations. Thank you, Mary Franco, Colorado

San Francisco needs to support this lovely tree and its legacy in their city. Trees are rare enough especially at this age and size let alone in an urban setting. Keep this tree alive with love!
Laura Ladendorf, Asheville, NC

Please people stop cutting trees down! The tree was there first! You moved into this home knowing there was a tree there! If it bothered you, you should have bought another home! It's like moving in next to an airport...then trying to get the airport to be moved????? Really!!! If it bothers you then move!
Bernard St Croix, San Francisco, CA

This tree is history and we need to protect our history.
Martin Gould, San Francisco, CA

Every life form is precious! I can't believe people are asking for REASONS why someone tries to save life!
Ljubomir Samardzic, Santa Clara, CA

This regal Redwood is a home and a symbol. It is history. An ecosystem has developed within and it has provided shelter for decades. It symbolizes strength and promise for the future. This tree is important to many species of birds, is integral to the iconic local landscape and to the City. It has been deemed very healthy by multiple experts and is just entering its prime of life. San Francisco wisely created a Landmark Tree Program for trees like this to be identified and preserved. Supervisor Farrell, we ask that you support the completion of the process to landmark this tree. Thank you.
Roland Jadryev, San Francisco, CA

A redwood as old as this on is part of the flavor and face of the city. Beyond that, it is irreplaceable as part of the urban ecosystem.
John Hanna, Benicia, CA

I support 110% making this and other important trees "Landmark " status. It has value to both avian and humankind. By preserving our trees we protect our future.

Roberta Weisenburg, Makawao,, HI

Let's safe keep our environment for us and our future generations, one tree at a time, let this landmark be proof that we care.

John Swartz, San Francisco, CA

Good evening I am happily signing this petition for a tree that honors Mrs. J's family and California. The redwood tree is a symbol of California's connection with nature. I have spent many days in her garden admiring the grandeur of this massive tree and the delicate beautify birds I've seen (parakeets, woodpeckers, robins and other birds). I am sad to think of where those birds would go if they did not have her tree.

Diana Vergil, richmond, CA

I believe that having the tree there consolidates the sense of history, that people are about their neighborhoods, and would a living testament to a lovely warm-hearted lady. (until recently a buena-vista-north resident).

Keith Sklower, El Cerrito, CA

I saw at least two such trees in the middle of Portland, Oregon. Residents there love and cherish them and tourists photograph them.

Dominique Jullien, Goleta, CA

The more trees in the city the better. Especially in historic neighborhoods. It very easy to cut a tree down for short term property value gains, but takes a lot of years to get something so beautiful to grow back.

Bo Rhyne, San Francisco, CA

We need more trees in San Francisco, and preserving all existing Redwoods should be everyone's priority!

Peter Gerhaeuser, San Francisco, CA

I strongly support landmark status for this tree. In our dense urban area, with 2 million visitors annually, this majestic redwood tree provides a beautiful and much needed glimpse of nature.

Anne Grawemeyer, San Francisco, CA

To me a tree is a life, its a home for many other living creatures and give so many things to all of us, oxygen, shade, and when he dies we get a use of his wood, and in this case it means so much for this person who planted it in honor to her beloved family we should consider what this means to her, she is a very kind person and a lovely lady, Mrs. Lady J, that's how I call her since I met her she is always with a smile on her face..

Remberto Rivas, Richmond, CA

The tree "is" the view! It must stay!

Patrick Gaul, Vallejo, CA

This tree honors past lives and should be here for the citizens of the future to enjoy.

David Arrick, San Francisco, CA

I live in the neighborhood and love old growth.

Will Spendlove, San Francisco, CA

This redwood tree is a living legacy to a woman's husband and sons and deserves to be saved for future generations to know love endures!

Liza Reavis, San Francisco, CA

Please give this tree the landmark status that it deserves.

David Prescott, San Francisco, CA

Some things need to remain sacred.

James Rea, San Francisco, CA

Honoring the past while securing the future's oxygen...

Michael Vanni, San Francisco, CA

I love Mrs. Jaye and her amazing redwood. Please save this beautiful living healthy tree!

Laird Rodet, San Francisco, CA

This is a truly historic tree and deserves to be enjoyed by future generations.

John Shoemaker, Los Altos, CA

Trees, and especially redwoods, are important to the unique look and feel of San Francisco

Kevin Bentley, San Francisco, CA

Outstanding exclamation point in our world!
Quock Fong, Saint Helena, CA

What an amazing experience to visit a great Redwood tree right in the middle of our city!
Christina Hellmich, San Francisco, CA

I have admired this tree for many years. It's a healthy and stately tree, and adds so much to the beauty of the neighborhood. For many of the tens of thousands of tourists who visit the 'crookedest street', it may well be the only redwood, or one of the few redwoods, that they encounter during their brief visit to San Francisco and California. Save this tree and give it the landmark status it deserves.
Ron Henggeler, San Francisco, CA

This is an irreplaceable landmark and a tribute to Meri Jaye's family. Please save a beautiful redwood in the midst of San Francisco.
Barney Jette, Missoula, MT

This exiled San Franciscan (priced out in 2007 after 44 years in The City) wholeheartedly supports retention of the tree. SF, queen of the Golden West, is scarcely recognizable now due to the dense, excessive building of past decades. Let this treasure stand!
Jane Cryan, Oshkosh, WI

We must do everything in our power to preserve this treasure of the Pacific Northwest.
Ronald Montez, San Francisco, CA

I support the Landmark Tree Program and those people willing to take the time to protect a valued tree!
nancy wuerfel, san francisco, CA

This tree is magnificent and an integral part of our California landscape; coupled with the memories that it represents makes this tree cherished by many.
Sally Nordlund, Palo Alto, CA

I lived in the San Francisco area for over 40 years before moving to Reno, and believe this tree should be preserved for future generations.
Mary Robinson, Reno NV

I care about the preservation of healthy trees in San Francisco.
Nancy Lewis, San Francisco, CA

Coastal redwoods part of the identity of Northern California. They need to be preserved.
Rob Hayden, San Francisco, CA

Let us all join the neighbors in honoring this magnificent tree with landmark status! Our support keeps this tree available to be appreciated by present and future admirers, and respects those who came before us who had the wisdom to plant this gift of beauty.
nancy wuerfel, san francisco, CA

It is so important to recognize those elements that make our City "livable." That's why I support this petition
Kathleen Courtney, San Francisco, CA

" I speak for the trees, for the trees have no tongues!" -Dr. Suess
Erin Erickson, Roseburg, OR

I care about the natural environment, the balance between the built and natural environment, and the soul of the City. There are ALWAYS options available to make construction projects work within an important existing context.
Mary Gallagher, Daly City, CA

Please landmark this tree for future generations. Thank you.
Chris Parkes, San Francisco, CA

Please preserve our city trees.
Jared Braiterman, San Francisco, CA

I am signing this petition to save the tree because
"A tree that looks at God all day and lifts her leafy arms to pray, a tree that may in summer wear a nest of robins in her hair" but only God can make a tree "
Leave a gift of Nature alone.
Eleanor Martinez, San Jose, CA

Landmark this magnificent specimen on historic Russian Hill so its long story can be told to generations and it is protected for as long as it lives.
JAN BLUM, San Francisco, CA

This tree is very majestic, along with her elderly homeowner/caretaker. Let's save this tree for our progeny, and their children.

Alvin Cruz, South San Francisco, CA

This is not only a memorial to the family for whom it was planted, but a living memorial to remind all who pass it just how precious it is to share life with a tree who gives so much and asks for nothing in return.

Jhoanne Loube, San Francisco, CA

This is a landmark tree!

Alan Martinez, San Francisco, CA

This is a beautiful tree.

Daniel Perez, San Francisco, CA

I am signing this petition because I believe this variety of tree needs protection for survival, and the wildlife that this tree supports is also worthy of protection. Landmark trees are just as important as landmark buildings. San Francisco is a leader in supporting worthy causes, and this petition supports the whole idea of "going green". I lived in San Francisco for many years, on the Panhandle near Golden Gate Park, and at Gramercy Towers on Nob Hill. My spiritual wellbeing was enhanced by the green of trees and grounds, not by concrete and housing. I fully support and trust my friend Mrs. Meri Jaye in preserving this Majestic Redwood Tree in the heart of the City of San Francisco.

martha bowen, Gloucester, MA

Because I am a huge proponent of trees and green spaces in our City. As hard as we try to preserve what we have, green spaces and trees continue to shrink among the asphalt. Please landmark this beautiful redwood.

Robyn Tucker, San Francisco, CA

This is a landmark tree!

Pamela Owen, Manchester, MA

Any Redwood tree should be saved & this one in particular due to its reason for planted in memory of loved ones!

karen lazzarini, Tallahassee, FL

Deforestation is the death of Mother Earth. Keep this as a sign we care for Mother Earth
CHERANE PEFLEY, Loxahatchee Groves, FL

I support this cause
Marilyn Robertson, San Francisco, CA

I was in SF this past July and so loved seeing this tree, especially after I visited so many of the Redwoods & Sequoias trees throughout California. This tree is a big honor for SF to have, and so amazing to it thriving in a City.
Yes, this is a Landmark Tree!
Alan Martinez, San Francisco, CA

There are so much things happening in the world, that we tend to forgot to keep what mother nature gave us. This tree is also alive and is not doing anything to hurt no one but to witness history all these years. Secondly it was of from a memory of a husband/father that makes this property special.
Angelica Martinez, Millbrae, CA

Saving this tree is a no-brainer! Those thinking of removing this beautiful tree must have dollar signs for eyes. Shame on you! Save this tree.
Cheryl Haughney, Allentown, PA

This tree is priceless and deserves to be saved!
Jonathan Smith, San Anselmo, CA

Every healthy tree is a benefit to our environment, & redwoods in the city are wonderful. The tree is unique; a view can be found elsewhere.
Keren Abra, San Francisco, CA

It's important to preserve greenery in our city to make it more livable.
Joyce Frankenberg, San Francisco, CA

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An elderly friend of mine from Gloucester MA contacted me . Her family lived in that area 50 years ago and she is very concerned.
Diane Cocchiarella, Niceville, FL

help protect the giant redwood tree, it's anti-pollutant, amor silva, pampanga, Philippines

We met the property owner on our trip to San Francisco. She is lovely. This tree means a lot to her and I would like to help her get the amazing Redwood tree registered as a San Francisco Landmark.

Penny LaPointe, Derry, NH

This lovely redwood tree deserves to live and do all it does to uplift, beautify, and inspire the surrounding community of humans, most of whom were not alive when its roots first spread. It is a living, glorious tree, and all trees are glorious and more - they are our friends and ecological allies. We need them now more than ever. Granting just this one tree a stay of execution, and future protection is the very least we should do to honor its existence and service and right to continue living among us.

Jack Gescheidt, Petaluma, CA

We need to cherish each and every special tree in SF - and this one is special for so many reasons. This gentle giant, planted by its owner over 50 years ago, has meaning as a memorial, and as a neighborhood landmark, and has been blessed by native Americans, and wondered at by inner city kids who may never have experienced it otherwise.

John Callahan, Oakland, CA

To have a coast redwood in the heart of the City is a sight to behold. A treasured California tree

Nancy Callahan, Oakland, CA

It's important to preserve greenery in our city to make it more livable.

Joyce Frankenberg, San Francisco, CA

Trees are beautiful and should be respected, NOT chopped down.

Mary Benveniste, Walterboro, SC

How is human life more important than any form of life? All life forms are interdependent.

Orlando Acevedo, San Francisco, CA

Coast Redwoods are a California treasure.

Julene Johnson, San Francisco, CA

Redwood trees and memories are important!

Anne Pradenas, Brisbane, CA

Let the tree live, it will be there much longer than we will. This tree can live 1800 years...;)

Rebecca Sarinelli, San Francisco, CA

I was born and raised in san francisco and my family still resides there. this tree is a true treasure and must be saved so it can flourish and grow without fear of being chopped down. Please leave this stunning beauty to grow and thrive as it does

Andrew Bidkaram, Fremont, CA

the environment and history deserve protection!

Lauren Alesi, Melbourne, Australia

I love trees and this cannot be replaced in our lifetime

Trees sequester carbon and are part of our urban environment. Also, redwoods are part of California's legacy! Please do not cut it down.

Susan Barnes, Pacifica, CA

Again tree cutting fever in a city famous for doing the right thing. Who is getting paid to cut down all of our tress?

David Schendel, San Francisco, CA

This tree has been both historic and heroic in it's ability to absorb co2 over the last 54 years. It hill have a history that will outlive all of us if Supervisor Ferrell exercises the strength, will and leadership to champion this gift of nature to the citizens of San Francisco!

Nina Moore, San Francisco, CA

San Francisco needs more trees. It is absurd to cut down a beautiful Redwood; please designate this tree as a landmark tree.

W C, SAN FRANCISCO, CA

that tree is a living, breathing organism. it deserves to be protected

charles Hoffman, San Francisco, CA

All trees matter, especially remarkable ones like this redwood. Trees have a wonderful, calming effect, soak up carbon, and provide habitat for birds and wildlife like squirrels. Please don't cut it down just to protect someone's view or give some rich person a redwood deck!

Diane Rooney, El Cerrito, CA

We don't have enough vitally important trees like this in San Francisco!

Jen Leavitt, San Francisco, CA

Redwood Trees are very long lived and it would be unfortunate to lose a mature tree to "progress"

Sean Maloof, San Francisco, CA

We need to preserve these old, living things that were here before many of us were. We can't just cut down a majestic beautiful tree because it inconveniences us. And to try to eliminate a tree because it might fall or a branch might fall at some point is ludicrous!

Dave Cunningham, San Francisco, CA

It's one specific, positive thing I can do. Besides, I love trees anyway.

Lisa Davidson, Sierra Madre, CA

I want to save these Giant trees!

Jonathan Haug, Rochester, NY

We need trees and especially this one !!!

Sheena Chiu, Napa, CA

Natural beauty should be preserved and protected!

Amanda da Graca, Los Banos, CA

The Landmark Redwood Tree should remain as the memorial it was intended to be.

Louise Chiatovich, Aptos, CA

Because we need to preserve historical landmarks

Eleanor Martinez, Los Gatos, CA

This lovely redwood tree deserves to live and do all it does to uplift, beautify, and inspire the surrounding community of humans, most of whom were not alive when its roots first spread. It is a living, glorious tree, and all trees are glorious and more - they are our friends and ecological allies. We need them now more than ever. Granting just this one tree a stay of execution, and future protection is the very least we should do to honor its existence and service and right to continue living among us.

Jack Gescheidt, Petaluma, CA

We need to cherish each and every special tree in SF - and this one is special for so many reasons. This gentle giant, planted by its owner over 50 years ago, has meaning as a memorial, and as a neighborhood landmark, and has been blessed by native Americans, and wondered at by inner city kids who may never have experienced it otherwise.

John Callahan, Oakland, CA

To have a coast redwood in the heart of the City is a sight to behold. A treasured California tree

Nancy Callahan, Oakland, CA

It's important to preserve greenery in our city to make it more livable.

Joyce Frankenberg, San Francisco, CA

I'm signing because I have lived close to this tree for 35 years and it is not only a Russian Hill Icon but a California one as well. It must be preserved.

Lucretia Rauh, SF, CA

Saving this tree is a no-brainer! Those thinking of removing this beautiful tree must have dollar signs for eyes. Shame on you! Save this tree.

Cheryl Haughney, Allentown, PA

This tree is priceless and deserves to be saved!

Jonathan Smith, San Anselmo, CA

Every healthy tree is a benefit to our environment, & redwoods in the city are wonderful. The tree is unique; a view can be found elsewhere.

Keren Abra, San Francisco, CA

An elderly friend of mine from Gloucester MA contacted me . Her family lived in that area 50 years ago and she is very concerned .

Diane Cocchiarella, Niceville, FL

help protect the giant redwood tree, it's anti-pollutant
amor silva, pampanga, Philippines

We met the property owned on our trip to San Francisco. She is lovely. This tree means a lot to her and I would like to help her get the amazing Redwood tree registered as a San Francisco Landmark.

Penny LaPointe, Derry, NH

I'm signing because the tree is a great view in itself, whether from nearby windows or the street.

Carol Polk, San Francisco, CA

People are so quick to destroy and before you know it, the precious is gone. Please don't let that happen this time.

Linda Hudson, Lawrence, MA

This tree is magnificent. I can't imagine any scenario where cutting it down makes any sense. Please protect it!

Linda McKay, San Francisco, CA

Our city's need increased tree canopy. This tree is a long lived species that will benefit many species for generations to come.

Colleen Weinstein, Seattle, WA

Cities need trees! Trees and history.

Please preserve this tree.

Thank you for your consideration.

Cynthia Riskin, Seattle, WA

This majestic redwood in the center of Russian Hill is simply not replaceable.

Landmarking it is an important step in preserving San Francisco's unique character from the ravenous forces of development.

Conrad Cummings, New York, NY

I've been living in SF for for years, one of the most magical redwoods in the city needs to remain. Do not make such a foolish and heartless decision.
Vera Rapcsak, Tucson, AZ

This tree can't speak for itself, so we citizens must speak for it. Please protect this tree.

Marjorie Bedford, Seattle, WA

Bad SF policy recently - cutting down trees. Poor maintenance
Russian Hill lost 3 prime giant sequoias in favor of enlarged single unit real estate de
Katherine Koelschkriken, San Francisco, CA

Trees - especially large trees - add so much to the character of a city besides the obvious benefits of beauty, cooling effects, water retention, wildlife habitat, etc.
Walt Bubelis, Seattle, WA

I love this tree!!
Sarah Luger, San Francisco, CA

Every one should be able to see, touch and smell these trees! They were here before us!
Lauren Davis, Saint Helena, CA

Everyone needs a tree in their life, especially in a big city! And a redwood is a big part of California, so amazing to have on growing there!
Ashley Denk, Sharon, VT

I love seeing this tree outside my window
John Hicks, San Francisco, CA

We live close to this street. In recent weeks I have watched many trees that were deemed unsafe. My young daughter gets upset every time. We live in this city and having such a beautiful and special tree close a special honor.
Mirjam Jooss, San Francisco, CA

I visit this magnificent tree every time I have the opportunity to travel to San Francisco.
Lisa Roberts, Godfrey IL

I support preserving this important tree by giving it landmark status. Trees provide quality of life to city residents and habitat for wild animals. Thank you, Supervisor Farrell, for supporting this landmarking.

Jared Braiterman, San Francisco, CA

I'm a native of North Beach and have admired this great tree for decades---an increasing rarity worth honoring.

Howard Wong, San Francisco CA

As a fellow Russian Hill neighbor, I fully support preserving and protecting this beautiful tree.

Norman Madden, San Francisco, CA

We need to thoughtfully preserve the few natural wonders we have left. Additionally, this is a memorial and a historic tribute. Cutting it down so a few people can have a better view is a crime on many levels.

Kate Van Gytenbeek, Greenbrae, CA

I am signing because as an Urban Planner I believe in the beautification of our city through trees. I also oppose NIMBYism by the neighbors.

Anna Davis, San Francisco, CA

Trees that exhibit this quality of stature, health, and core symbolism of San Francisco as a city are 110 percent worthy of landmarking. Arguably, San Francisco is one of a handful of cities who can honestly say that the beauty and particular textures of the urban fabric are core economic drivers to convince people to even move to the city in the first place... Encountering things in your urban environment like this allow people to feel like they are connected to something that is bigger than themselves. San Francisco stands a lot to gain from maintaining that feeling across neighborhoods. Character is a huge reason why people are ready to pay such expensive rent. Millennials especially. Millennials, who will be taking over the town a few decades from now, have reported that a connection to something truly 'wild' in their environment is a top top top desire. Keep your city competitive and attractive for future generations. Keep the damn tree. You have only 21 landmarks trees apparently and thousands upon thousands of fantastic views. Also, is this tree not a view in itself? San Fran needs to maintain its soul as much as possible. Soul is tricky to monetize, but it does reap significant enough benefits that are capable of real monetization. And saving this tree would be a reflection of what San Francisco's city values are.. Frankly, it's not at all a stretch to view this tree itself as a rare product to encounter. Rarity increases a products value to a significant degree.

Trees like these are anomalies in urban centers. Finally, considering the tree's beautiful backstory and physical proximity to a major tourist destination, the answer becomes even more clear. Pretty much, if there is ever a location, tree type, and exhibited quality of health to landmark, this is it. Please save this one.
Joe Reilly, Seattle, WA

It is so heartwarming to read all of these beautiful messages, from individuals who love San Francisco and love Meri Jaye; or from others who don't even know this inspiring woman but feel impelled to share their thoughts, to save this precious natural resource that brings so much good. Meri Jaye would never, ever put anyone in harm's way. She would do whatever is necessary to ensure the safety and beauty of everything and everyone around her. I cannot imagine the tragedy Mrs. Jaye endured in losing her family, but she felt inspired to plant this tree in memory of those she loved. And she has been responsible in caring for it, to ensure its health and the safety of her neighborhood. Forcing her to have it removed seems unimaginably cruel -- especially in light of the public-spirited citizen that she is and all that she has given to San Francisco. It is an honor to support her in this endeavor that brings so much good to San Francisco.
Celia Waters, Atherton, CA

Trees are historic witnesses to changing geographies, time, politics, and neighbors. They also are natural carbon sequesters.
Tira Okamoto, San Francisco, CA

I think it's a beautiful cause
Thomas Bulger

Trees are important to the world's ecosystem. Many other creatures live in, depend on, and contribute back to the earth from this tree. A healthy tree is not an enemy to humans, it is a gift. Please maintain it.
Denise Atchley, San Francisco, CA

The tree is half a century old. Have some respect and love for vintage life. It is not easy for a tree to outgrow some humans. It is a historical part of this neighbourhood and should stay so, so children and others can enjoy it.
Cyndi Yap, Singapore, Singapore

In my opinion, this magnificent tree meets the criteria for San Francisco's Landmark Tree program.
Ben Carlson, San Francisco, CA