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Monica Fish  
Commission Secretary  
SF Environment

May 23, 2008

Dear Members of the Urban Forest Council,

I am writing today to distribute the latest draft of the Urban Forest Council (UFC) membership legislation.

What is attached to this letter is an amendment to the legislation that was heard in the Rules Committee at the Board of Supervisors in early April of this year. After meeting with members of your commission and the SF Environment Department, I am offering this legislation as a compromise.

The amendments of this new piece of legislation consist of:

1. Changing the composition of the UFC membership from a 15 voting member body to a five voting member body with five alternates and five department representatives to serve as advisory members. The Board of Supervisors will be responsible for appointing four of the members and their alternates and the Mayor will be tasked with one appointment and alternate.
2. Changing the Mayor's "at large" appointment to an appointment representative of "the tree management profession (International Society of Arboricultural, American Society of Landscape Architects, or similar professional organization)." I believe that this change will ensure that only the most informed individuals in the tree management industry will be contributing constructive information to the UFC to help them make important decisions regarding our urban forest.

I hope you, as members of the council, appreciate the content of this legislation and all of the good it can achieve. I truly believe that this legislation will help the council operate more efficiently and help the council meet their goal of coordinating the City's urban forest efforts. In my view, this legislation is simply a good government policy, which will increase protection and help our urban forest flourish.

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Please contact my aide, Cassandra Costello, 554-7412, [Cassandra.Costello@sfgov.org](mailto:Cassandra.Costello@sfgov.org), with any questions. She will be in contact with you through Monica Fish, Commission Secretary, as to when this legislation will be scheduled in committee, most likely in early July.

Thank you for your time and I look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jake McGoldrick".

Jake McGoldrick  
Supervisor, District 1

CC: Jared Blumenfeld, Director, SF Environment