



Seattle Department of Transportation

Gregory J. Nickels, Mayor

Grace Crunican, Director

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Martin Selig
1000 2nd Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Dear Mr. Selig:

I want to express my deep appreciation for your exemplary effort on November 27, 2007 to preserve the beautiful cherry tree at your construction site at 5th Ave. and Yesler Way. The tree has particular cultural significance to the citizens of Seattle and we are very happy that you were able to successfully transplant it. Citizens who work live or just pass by this tree will continue to enjoy it for many more years.

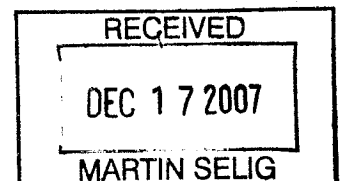
Your willingness to undertake the delicate task of transplanting the tree is an outstanding example of your concern for preserving trees and demonstrates that the City of Seattle and developers can work together to preserve and enhance these important assets while accommodating the demands of a growing population.

I am particularly grateful for the professional expertise enlisted by your contractor, Lease Crutcher Lewis to successfully relocate this tree. Please congratulate Construction Superintendent Ralph Hendrix of Lease Crutcher Lewis and Ross Lathum of 'Big Trees, Incorporated' for a job well done.

Sincerely,

Grace Crunican, Director
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cc: Jim Crutcher
Bill Lewis
Gary Smith



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