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Dear Sonoma County Planning Commissioners,
I am writing with regard to item number 2 on today's meeting agenda, regarding ORD21-0001. I am strongly in support of meaningful tree and woodland protection. Our trees are one of the greatest protections we have against climate change, in addition to providing habitat, beauty, and cultural benefits to our community. I encourage you to consider an **ordinance that is science-based and that emphasizes protection of mature trees**, as these sequester the most carbon, have higher fire resistance, store more water, serve more wildlife, and have the most developed roots and canopies.

While you consider the tree and woodland protection ordinance, I urge you to implement a **time out** for tree removals permitted for development.

Thank you for considering my perspective and for the work you do on behalf of Sonoma County.

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