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Whittier, CA 90601
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CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

Mr. Jim Kurkowski
Director of Parks Department
13230 Penn St., Whittier, CA

To Mr. Kurkowski:

Within the last year, our then two year old son, 


The reason why we are contacting the city is to strongly request the removal of the two city owned Ficus trees in the causeway on Broadway St. abutting our house. We also want the tree directly eastward to our house removed or drastically reduced in size.

The reason for this request is that the trees are a danger to our son's health and well being. Our son has slipped and fallen in our driveway several times due to the countless figs that dropped from the tress. He has already suffered minor injuries due to these falls. We are also greatly concerned that he will eat one or more of the rotting and fermenting figs in our yard. 

We have tried to keep the driveway clean, putting a great deal of time and effort into the removal of the figs and leaves from the city trees. But it is a near impossible task-- at times the driveway is recovered in new figs even before we can finish cleaning off the old figs from the drive. As for cleaning the figs from the grass in our yard, we find this to be all but impossible.

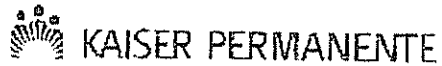
We do not have a large yard for our son to play in. The trees affect about sixty to seventy percent of the fenced in area. This leaves our son without a safe place to play in the yard. Furthermore, since the trees affect all of the walkways and stairs leading to the house, it is extremely dangerous for him to enter or exit the house. As mentioned before, he has already slipped several times on the figs.

We hope the city will respond quickly to this request. We are at our wits end with these trees and require your help to resolve this problem. Thank you very much for your time and assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,

Peter and Tomoko Lennihan
(562) 907-3397

cc: Mayor Owen Newcomer



12/27/2007

[REDACTED]

6202 Bright Avenue
Whittier, CA 90601

Re: [REDACTED]

TO: Whom it concerns
Director of parks Department
13230 Penn St
Whittier, CA

I am writing this letter in concern for [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

May I suggest meeting with [REDACTED] parents so that a amiable solution can be developed for all concerned.

Thank you. If additional information is needed please contact me via the information provided below.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Willye B. Powell".

WILLYE BUTCHER POWELL MD
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9449 E Imperial Hwy
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January 22, 2008

Peter and Tomoko Lennihan
6202 Bright Ave
Whittier Ca 90601

Dear Mr. and Ms. Lennihan:

On January 22, 2008, the Whittier City Council approved the removal of three Ficus trees near your property. The work will be done on Thursday, January 24, 2008. The removal process will cause dust and pollen particles in the air. That said, because of your son's [REDACTED] I would like to suggest that you take your child away from the residence while the removals are performed.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Jim Kurkowski
Director of Parks
City of Whittier