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Recycling Revisited, Inc. 376 Plains Rd. E. **Burlington ON** L7T 0A4

Office of the Mayor, **Burlington ON** L7R 3Z6

Attention: Mayor Marianne Meed Ward and City Councillors:

I thank you for the opportunity to address you today on behalf of Recycling Revisited. We are a small registered Non-Profit organization with deep roots in Burlington's historical environmental action.

We are here to request a grant in the amount of \$2000 in 2020, to cover the cost of 285 trees for a fall tree planting event.

Our reasons are (1) It is known that trees improve the atmosphere: their shade is cooling and they emit oxygen while filtering CO2. (2) It is also known that Burlington's tree canopy is less dense than in surrounding cities, and we are committed to improving this situation for the sake of the atmosphere.

We are a small but determined organization. We have offered our assistance every year to BurlingtonGreen's Cleanup/Greenup, including planting. To avoid competing with this spring event, we have chosen to add our additional trees annually with a fall planting.

The Forestry Department has been advising us and has approved the planting location.

It is to the good of all citizens to maximize the number of trees and we hope for the support of Council to proceed with these plans in 2020.

Thank you sincerely,

Roberta McGregor, President and Roberta McGregor

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