



2045 North Lincoln Park West
Chicago, Illinois 60614

October 9, 2008

Honorable Mayor Richard Daley
1000 City Hall, 121 N. LaSalle
Chicago, IL 60602

Dear Mayor Daley,

The Lincoln Park Advisory Council would like to express our concern that there is no one on the Chicago Park District Board of Commissions with a degree in forestry or natural areas management. We understand that there is currently an opening on the Board of Commissioners and we strongly urge you to appoint someone with the appropriate background to this opening and someone who is knowledgeable about the many thousands of trees and plantings that we have and need throughout the parks in Chicago.

Respectfully,

Vickie Matthews
President

Cc: Gery Chico, President
Alderman Vi Daley
Alderman Tom Tuney
Alderman Marianne Smith
Alderman Brendan Reilly
Alderman Helen Shiller
Superintendent Tim Mitchell
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