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Regarding tree removal at: 253 Gerth Ave NW Salem, OR 97304

I am writing regarding the proposed removal of a Big Leaf Maple Tree at 253 Gerth Ave NW. Salem, OR 97304.

It is my professional opinion as an ISA certified arborist with a TRAQ certification that the best course of action for the tree is to have it removed

(1) Hazardous tree: Tree removal is necessary because it presents a hazard or danger to persons and property. It is damaging an existing foundation and presents a hazard to 2 houses due to the large limbs with weak branch unions, and an active area where children play. The weak branch unions cannot be repaired and pruning will not stop branches from falling in my opinion.

Historical Events of the tree in question causing damage within the last three years

- 1. Branches falling on to the roof of the house causing extensive damage.
- 2. Large portion of the tree fell onto the neighbor's shed, destroying the shed.
- 3. Branches falling onto the multiple fences surrounding the property and causing damage.

The main concern is the branches continuing to fall and causing damage to surrounding structures and most importantly hurting people.

If this does not meet the requirements please call me at 503-551-7610 to discuss further. I would greatly appreciate a prompt response.

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