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To: Lames <lames@aol.com> Sent: Wed, Aug 14, 2019 11:25 am

Subject: Trestle

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August 12, 2019

Re: Willow Glen Trestle Conservancy

To whom it may concern:

I support the important efforts of the San Jose Parks Foundation and the Willow Glen Trestle Conservancy to research and compile the document that shall preserve the historical text of this symbol of our agricultural history in Santa Clara County: the railroad trestle located in the Willow Glen area of San Jose, California. It is one of the last remaining icons in the "Valley of Heart's Delight" that chronicle the story of labor and technology of a by-gone time.

Looking at this grand redwood structure, I am stunned by its size, strength, and design. The Los Gatos Creek--of which the trestle crosses--has comfortably adapted its flow around and under the configuration of the supports. Hence, the trestle's surroundings have become a friendly ecosystem for fish, fauna, and even beavers.

The need to research and document the history of our trestle is to bring to light and archive information important to all the citizens of Santa Clara Valley.

Sincerely yours, Laura Howard