



Highland Neighborhood Association Endorsement of Quiet Clean Salem's Mission

The Highland Neighborhood Association is committed to promoting environmental stewardship and enhancing livability through sustainable community practices:

The Highland Neighborhood Association endorses the mission of Quiet Clean Salem. This endorsement supports the gradual phase-out of gas-powered leaf blowers and encourages the adoption of quieter, cleaner alternatives such as battery-operated blowers and manual gardening tools. This endorsement aims to enhance the neighborhood's tranquility, reduce noise pollution, and mitigate health risks associated with air pollutants released by gas-powered leaf blowers.

Acknowledging the need for economic consideration, the Highland Neighborhood Association supports a phased approach to policy implementation, with a minimum five-year incremental rollout to ensure a smooth transition for small businesses and individual operators. We support efforts to minimize economic disruptions while providing ample opportunity for adjustment and adoption of cleaner technologies;

To that end, we urge city leaders and stakeholders to provide support and incentives to aid small businesses and individuals in transitioning to electric and battery-operated leaf blowers, thereby aligning economic health with environmental sustainability;



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