

## Statement of Tree Canopy Preservation and Enhancement Acknowledgment

The Lake Forest Park Municipal Code requires that all contractors involved in tree removal, trimming, arborist services and land clearing activities must sign and submit a "Statement of Tree Canopy Preservation and Enhancement Acknowledgement to the City. This is required in addition to the business license requirements set forth in Chapter 5.05 of the Lake Forest Park Municipal Code. Please review the following and sign below:

I, \_\_\_\_\_, a duly licensed professional contractor in the State of Washington, or professional forester, hereby attest that I have read and am knowledgeable of Chapter 16.14 Tree Canopy Preservation and Enhancement of the City of Lake Forest Park Municipal Code.

I further attest that, as a professional doing land clearing work in the City of Lake Forest Park, I am accountable for following the City's Tree Canopy Preservation and Enhancement requirements, including obtaining a Tree Removal permit or exemption prior to performing Tree Removal or clearing work, as defined by Chapter 16.14 of the Lake Forest Park Municipal Code, as well as following all conditions and requirements of said permit or exemption.

I attest that if I fail to follow Tree protection requirements, I will be held jointly responsible with the landowner for any restitution required as a result of environmental damage determined by the City Qualified Tree Professional to be the result of improper Tree Removal or land clearing activities at the site. This may result in claims against my bond pursuant to Section 18.27.040 of the Revised Code of Washington and other monetary penalties as allowed by this Chapter or State law.

Company Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Professionals who do not provide this statement and perform land clearing services in the city of Lake Forest Park shall be considered in violation of this chapter and may be prosecuted under this chapter, the city's civil penalties ordinance, or as otherwise provided by law. All contractors shall be jointly responsible with the land owner for any land clearing violation and restitution required at a site as a result of improper land clearing activity.