

## Karen DeMaria

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**From:** Jayne Navarre <jaynenavarre@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, November 03, 2017 12:39 PM  
**To:** Karen DeMaria; Vicky Walker; Marcus A. Davila; Craig Cates; Margaret Romero  
**Subject:** Re: TREE ABUSE MUST STOP

Photo attached.

On Nov 3, 2017, at 12:35 PM, Jayne Navarre <[jaynenavarre@gmail.com](mailto:jaynenavarre@gmail.com)> wrote:

It is with sadness that I write this note. The City and some selfish citizens are making a disaster out of a disaster by killing damaged trees that could be recovered. Next summer, without the benefit of shade trees you're removing, you and I will realize the harm you're doing, and then it will be too late. Homeowners in my neighborhood are chopping down trees, indigenous trees, the trees they would normally get fined for removing without a permit! It's horrible. Today I saw a beautiful, mature Silver Buttonwood, hacked to pieces. That tree provided shade to the public right away! There was ABSOLUTELY NOTHNG damaged about this tree! (Photo of it's dismembered branches attached) This is disgusting. But nothing will be done by the Tree Commission or City to stop it!

Be forewarned: locals are organizing a protest and some are talking law suit. The Catherine Street Woman's Tongue that was just killed has is all wound up. It's outrageous. And, before you use sidewalk liability as an excuse, note that you left the stump! Further, you could have righted the tree, broke up the concrete and filled in the sidewalk with that rubber stuff, like was done at 506 Elizabeth Street several years ago (across from the library). There are many things being done in the City that are bothersome, but this is outright criminal! Stealing our shade, our canopy, the beauty of Key West. You just couldn't stop when you paved paradise to put up the ugly amphitheater and pour concrete throughout the park. No, you're on board removing our trees, and allowing home owners to get rid of trees they didn't like, all under some sort of twisted protection called Irma. Irma did plenty damage, but the tree commission approving these murders; I don't know what is worse.

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